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## **School Leadership Team Meeting Meeting Minutes** Virtual Platform - Zoom Monday, September 20, 2021 5:00 pm - 6.00 pm

### Webinar Began at 5:05 PM

## **Introductions of new SLT Parents**

Dragos- parent of Anca in 3rd Grade, works in Higher Education Alisha- parent of Reyna in 1st Grade, works in Higher Education

#### Introductions to new teachers on board

Laura- ELA teacher at our Upper Division, Leanne- 2nd Grade Teacher, Q300 Admin Intern

Edwin- ENL teacher, Q300 Admin Intern; stepping in for Ali Lisberger, who is currently out on parental leave

#### **Last Year Parent Members**

Fiona: Parent to 4th and 1st Grader Maria: Parent to 5th and 8th Grader

#### **Last Year Teacher Member**

Jean Kim: ELA Teacher Upper Division

Anna: Assistant Principal

Sonita: Principal

### **Summer Glows:**

Leanne: A lot of traveling to Greece, Portugal and Colorado-nice to spend time with family Fiona: Last week of August spent time away and unwind from the last 18 months and be together as family.

Edwin: Traveled up and down the East coast and we went to visit my mom. Able to leave things behind and travel together.

Maria: Got some good time with family and especially my mom. Feeling grateful.

#### At 5:19 PM Sonita reviewed the school budget and funding

Reviewed the TO and list of staff and teachers (reviewed averages of teachers salaries)

- Need more school aides
- Substitute teacher line review from "TL Fair Student Funding"
- ARPA School COVID Planning allocation to help with COVID planning and support/school needs

Reviewed various lines (Amounts given to us by DOE)

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- Website
- Equipment/Furniture
- Technology
- Library Books
- Core Curriculum Textbooks (NYSTL Textbooks)

Student Register end in October we will get an exact amount of how much money we received for our students

### **Questions about funding:**

- Paras/Parent Coordinator come from an external budget?
  - o Para's that have been assigned to schools for students who qualify get paid thorough DOE but any extra para's are taken from our
  - Parent Coordinator (many) allocating it to the school.
- If you are homeschooling you are not registered with us anymore but you have a right to return (1 year) we recommend this to be done in June. We will courtesy call those families to remind them and see their status.
- State passed that we will not get a cut but we will get extra money for art, academics and recovery.
- Allocations are on the way out but I will communicate with PTA because I know they help as well with Art and other items.
- What was the total budget allocated during COVID?
  - Sonita: I am not sure but I will let you know.

#### Discuss new staff hires:

Antonia Courlis taking over Ali's maternity leave Emily McNally - new 4th grade teacher Emily Asaro - new K teacher; was with us last year as a long-term sub Jessica Lammano - new 6th grade Special Ed teacher at Upper Division

#### **Classroom Setup:**

3 feet apart and that can be diagonal, U circle, group tables and individual desks.

Ordering more individual desks for 3rd and 4th grade classes

Custodial Staff cleans daily but we are doing extra cleaning as well. We supplied teachers with hand sanitizer, wipes, bounty, tissues, etc.

Lunch: We give constant reminders for students to eat and not talk and we separate students 3 feet apart diagonally using dots as markers for where they should sit

- K eats in classroom
- 1st grade eats 10 minutes early to allow more time for them to eat.
- 4 picnic tables purchased for Lower Division so kids who would like can eat outside
- 7th & 8th grade reminder and assembly for students to remember where they should sit

### **Busing:**

Thank PTA and busing coordinator for hard work.

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School has been advocating with Dr. Composto regarding the 5 mile rule and for additional buses so that we can make sure all our students can get to school on time and safely.

#### Q300 Curriculum

Eureka Math: digital component K-8

Amplify Science for K-8

Passport to Social Studies for K-8

ELA: Lower Division K-5 use Teachers College curriculum

ELA: Upper Division Teacher created own curriculum using the standards

#### **Q300 School Assessments**

Each district chooses the assessments its district is going to use. For this year, D30 chose:

- Acadience for K-2 reading
- iReady for K-8 Math (over MAPS Growth, which was used last year)

Assessments will be used to see where students are in reading and math, measure student growth, and help teachers plan their teaching accordingly.

### **Meet Teacher Night**

Thursday, 9/23 5-7 PM

Teachers will present twice- we will also send out the PPT to those that cannot make it.

#### Questions:

Teachers will be trained with the iReady assessment- district wide initiative.

#### **SLT Dates:**

Leanne school on Tuesdays Jean school on Wednesdays Laura has delegate assembly on Wednesday Fiona: Cannot do bi-weekly Mondays

Maria and Dragos: Tuesday and Thursdays teach

SLT on Zoom 5-7 PM

Next Date: SLT October 4th, 2021

- Owe SLT members two meetings for October
- October 18th
- November 1st
- December 6th
- January 3

At our next meeting we will assign notetaker, facilitator, time keeper, do group work, CEP goal reviews, action plans; every month SLT will build on what it has done.

5:53 PM we started our goodbyes Meeting ended at 5:57 PM