

SLT- MINUTES MEETING #5
1/30/20

Attendees: Mrs. O' Shaughnessy-Principal
Mrs. Stark-UFT Representative
Ms. Wilson-DC 37
Ms. Drazila-PTA President
Mrs. Neidkowski-Parent
Mrs. Wang-Silonga-Parent
Mrs. Enriquez- Parent
Mrs. Carti- Parent
Mr. Goodish- Greater Ridgewood Youth Council

The meeting was called at 2:47pm. Ms. Drazila, Mrs. Sharabi and Mrs. Lobello was not present.

Mrs. Lowe stopped by and gave an update for the library and how there will be a kiosk to check books out and return them. She is still working on the library and shared that several sections will be color coded to make them easier to find. She said it will be a Dr. Seuss theme and also images to help kids navigate towards those kids who may not be able to read yet. She welcomes suggestions from families and teachers. She says that there will be rugs and curtains to make it cozier.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy shared that a parent already donated some seats for the reading corner and extra books. She said there will be a section in the library with donated books from families they can lend and return. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said that a school aid, Ms. Jackie is being trained to help with the library and Ms. Nicki had been helping with organizing the library.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy shared for an afterschool program to take place, there must be an administrator, as well as a licensed DOE teacher, in order for it to run. She welcomes CBOs.

Mrs O' Shaughnessy said she is taking the Whole Instructional Learning Team (ILT) to Bronx Concord School to see how they are doing so well, despite their starting point.

Mrs. Stark mentioned units and that when her class finishes a unit, she tries to find a way to get parents in the school, as parent engagement.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said that if parents want to donate something to the school, a letter needs to be written to say why and where the items will be used and the school would need to consider if the items are approved/ insured.

Mrs. Neidowski shared interest in school uniforms. Mrs. O'Shaughnessy said it's a vote from the PTA to decide whether to do uniforms or not.

Mrs. Stark shared that May 19th was the set date for Family Fun Night and PTA Conferences.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said she wants to coordinate art shows, science fair, coding, bands and singing during the course of those 3 hours for family fun night with something going on in each time slot for the week of family fun night?

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said our school did the first progress monitoring cycle for the Comprehensive Educational Plan (CEP) for Fall and Winter based on I Ready assessments.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said that she reviewed scores with our school's Instructional Leadership Team and reviewed the scores with SLT. She said she can send SLT a copy too.

Mrs. Wang-Sillinga asked if all parents have access to ipads and laptops. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said the kids all have access to it at school and shared that the kids can have practice extra if they can go on the computer or ipad at home. She said there may be a prospective lab where families can come in to work on I-Ready. The assessment showed that most grades improved in math and ELA. Fifth graders can use some improvement in math. The school is showing progress in I-Ready.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy shared that Ms. Perez, an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) Teacher is already trained in the SPIRE Program. Her office this year is going to grades 1 and 2. Several more teachers are going to get trained in it. As per the NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION DIVISION OF HUMAN RESOURCES:

The Centrally Funded IEP/Intervention teacher is a learning specialist who will fulfill the role of the special education teacher at initial IEP team meetings for newly identified students with disabilities. The IEP/Intervention teacher will also provide coverage for the special education teachers of students already receiving special education services while they participate in IEP team meetings (annual reviews, three year reviews and requested reviews) for their students. The number of periods per week for these tasks will be at least five (5) periods per week.

Mrs. Enriquez asked if teachers get meetings for I Ready feedback. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said she does have a meeting with them.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said the school plans to implement school wide strategies to improve.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy would like our school to get 100% response for the green surveys that will be distributed in March. She wants feedback from families and teachers.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy shared that next month will be the first family fun night.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said she welcomes families to come into the school and to be involved. She said she welcomes families/ parents to run clubs such as for cooking, crochet or anything that can get them in the school and to meet other families/parents.

Mrs. Enriquez mentioned possibly doing mediation club. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said that even if the club is during evening hours, she can always request for a permit.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said for Family Fridays we want our school to include something cultural every month.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said to possibly do a QR code or a survey parents, in which anyone with a smartphone could scan and fill out a survey on, "What they would like to see at PS88."

Mrs. Carti asked about anti-bullying week, since Feb 10-14 is anti bullying week citywide. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said that each day of the week, there will be a different color to wear. There will be a day with the kids wearing neon glasses.

Mrs. O' Shaughnessy brought up Elmcove, which she learned about during the District 24 CEC Meeting earlier this year at our school. Elmcove she said spoke about workshops they do to educate children on vaping, as well as other programs they offer. She said there will be an opt out letter sent home for those who want their child to be taken out of the class while Elmcove visits. She said Ms. Ramos has the date and time for when they are coming on Tuesday, February 11 to talk about edible drugs and vaping to fifth graders.

Mrs. Stark shared the handout packet from the District 24 Title 1 Training she picked up to share with SLT and gave to Mrs. O' Shaughnessy. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy will see if she can forward SLT the handouts. She also shared a UFT workshop should anyone like to attend since SLT since it can count towards the SLT hours. Mrs. O' Shaughnessy said she can also cover the cost of the workshop if anyone from SLT wants to go.

Mrs. Stark added that for next week's agenda at the SLT meeting, SLT members should do the remuneration sheet that was in the folder Mrs. O' Shaughnessy handed out earlier this year, since it has already half way this school year.

Mrs. Wang-Silonga shared that SLT Meeting #6 will be on Thursday, February 27, 2020.

The meeting was called at 5:35pm.

