

Minutes

PS/IS 187 School Leadership Team Meeting

Wednesday, October 14, 2006

Present: Leonisa Ardizzone, Francesca Di Mauro, Victoria Frye, James Goldwasser, Lambrini Luna, Nilda Marrero, Tara Robinson, Susan Seitner, Amy Wittner

Absent: Kathy Brito, Cynthia Chory, Michael Palmieri,

Also present: Alexandra Jimenez, Kirsten Cowal, Sarah Holloway

The meeting was called to order at 7:15am

1. CEP and School Compact Revisions

- Alexandra Jimenez is working on revising both the CEP and the School Compact. She called for volunteers to work on sections of the CEP and will coordinate subcommittees as soon as members submit their preferences.
- The School Compact will also need to be reviewed and revised. For example, the school newsletter will now be sent monthly and not weekly.
- Questions were raised about the status of I-plan as a way to work on the document. Nilda Marrero and Alexandra Jimenez reported that DOE has a schedule for this process. At this time the CEP document has been entered into I-plan, but there is no news on when passwords will be available.
- There was a general discussion about using the school website more effectively and exploring the use of other technology (i.e. text blasts) to keep parents more informed. It was suggested that a technology committee should be formed in order to make long term goals for the school and the website.

Resolved:

- Members should submit preferences for sections CEP and any revisions they have for the School Compact to Alexandra Jimenez.
- The school will contact the network to see what kind of support is available in terms of technology.
- A technology committee for long range planning will continue to be explored.

2. Fundraising:

- A list of projects that are still in need of funding was presented by Nilda Marrero. Francesca Di Mauro spoke about the importance of the SLT prioritizing needs so that the PA could plan fundraising efforts.
- It was reported that \$13,000 has been given by The Friends of 187 in order to fund an additional day for the F-status art teacher.
- A private funder has agreed to grant \$3000 to the Daniel Gwartzman Dance program if the PA will match the grant. Francesca Di Mauro is exploring what this amount will be able to provide.

- The Bent on Learning yoga program is happening free of charge.
- It is unclear at this time whether the video program is happening and in need of funding.
- The F- status technology coordinator position is in need of funding. The General Electric grant cannot fund this position, as it does not cover salary. The school currently has an AUSSIE consultant who is assessing the website and the tech level of teachers. However, she is only allotted 12 days a year.
- Francesca Di Mauro brought up the wishlist. Should the PA split the money between the list and helping to fund other school programs? Tara Robinson spoke to the importance of the wishlist for some grade level trips etc. It was decided that feedback was necessary from teachers in order to determine which wishlist items were essentials.
- Leonisa Ardizzone stated that there is an interest in a foreign language program and Friends of 187 is looking into this issue.

Resolved:

- Finding a Tech coordinator is still a goal.
- Additional Funding for the afterschool program is still a goal.
- Teachers will be asked to prioritize their wishlist requests.

4. Schedule of Meetings and SLT roles.

- The schedule for future meetings is as follows:

11/27 (Tuesday) at 3:13pm
 12/15 (Tuesday) at 5:15pm
 1/20 (Wednesday) at 7:15am
 2/23 (Tuesday) at 3:15pm
 3/23 (Tuesday) at 5:15pm
 4/21 (Wednesday) at 7:15am
 5/18 (Tuesday) at 3:15pm
 6/15 (Tuesday) at 5:15pm

- SLT roles were not yet determined.

5. Additional Comments/Questions:

- Sarah Holloway brought up a program that trains children in the older grades to become technology support specialists for their schools. The school would have to contribute \$1,000 for the program.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Seitner