

Lincoln Orens Middle School

Island Park, New York

SITE BASED MANAGEMENT TEAM

MINUTES

March 27, 2017

Members Present:

Mrs. Toni Egan, Parent Member
Mr. Padraic Lilly, Parent Member
Mr. Gabriel D'Auria, Instructional Member
Mrs. Joan McCreight, Non-Instructional Member
Mrs. Joanne Moustakos, Non-Instructional Member
Ms. Marley Goldman, Leave Replacement
Mr. Vincent Randazzo, Principal

Welcome and Introductions

Discussion Items

- Minutes from February 27, 2017 meeting were approved.
- Mr. Randazzo introduced Marley Goldman, the Leave Replacement for Guidance Counselor, Andrea Porzelt.
- The grade 5 to grade 6 transition program was discussed. Input from parent members was noted; such concerns as: grade 5 students are suddenly “cut loose” in grade 6 to get to classes on their own; grade 5 students have a hard time with the fact that grade 6 teachers stamp their agendas; locker issues; being isolated from the rest of the building. Mr. Randazzo spoke with both 5th and 6th grade teachers and in June, grade 5 students will begin being transitioned into walking to classes on their own.
- To address transition concerns, the following will be put in place were made:
 - ✓ Lockers – An example of a well-organized locker will be presented in a Power Pt. presentation to students, along with instruction on opening locks
 - ✓ Ten to 12 responsible grade 6 students who made the grade 5 to 6 transition will be given leadership responsibilities to help the younger grade students. To ease in grade 5 students, the transition process will be broken down into two sessions: Session one will consist of talking about the transition and introducing grade 5 students to locks/lockers. In session two, students will be taken upstairs to be welcomed in, meet with the teachers and tour the building.
- Sports Night – A pep rally/rehearsal is planned to pump up the students and get grade 5/6 involved. This year, a score rubric will include a score for student involvement (in painting and creating their materials) and a headcount of the number of students involved in the entrance. The more involved, the more points. Halls will be decorated the day before sports night. The PTA plans to have pompoms for the Pep Rally available to purchase in the school store during the week and to sell them the night of Sports Night.

The next meeting of the SBMT is scheduled for April 24, 2017.

