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SLT TEAM MINUTES Tuesday, April 28, 2020

Attendance: Cindy King, DC 37; Andrea Bruno, Teacher; Deise Kenny, Teacher; Karen Bracco, UFT Rep; Joanna Carlo, Parent; Karina Jalil, PTA Co-President; Glen Goldstein, Parent; Margarita Hernandez, Parent; Mario Arciniega, Parent Coordinator (Observer)

Absent: Christy Ramirez, Parent

❖ Welcome

- The March minutes were read and approved.

❖ Parents Report

- Everything is cancelled for this year.
- Ms. Chocolate reached out about doing supply boxes but the district said we are not able to do this.
- The Carnival Company is going to hold the check until next year.
- The financial report must still be completed.

❖ DC37 News and Updates

- Members are getting floating holidays because of the cancellation of Spring Break.

❖ UFT News and Updates

- Things are up in the air for September.
- NYCDOE grading policy came out today.

❖ Principal's Report

- Technology – On Thursday, April 2nd, Mario, Dinah, Stephanie and I were able to go into the building and package up 25 laptops for distribution. We are working to ensure that families have access to technology by encouraging them to complete the DOE technology survey or contact the DOE request number.
- Student Encounter – We are currently using the DOE created tracking system to monitor if students are working. Data is entered in the tracking system daily for the day before. The school aides and family worker are contacting those families of students who are not working.
- Student Reorganization – In May, we will be working with grade level teams to begin organizing our student data so that we are prepared for to move students on to the next grade level class. Thank you Deise for creating this system.
- Staff Reorganization – Preference sheets have gone out to teachers where are able to share which grades they are interested in teaching next year. We will work hard to honor

the request of all teachers however my first step is to put the best teacher in front of students. A teacher may be strong in teaching one grade but may not be as strong in teaching another grade and I have to take that into consideration for the benefit of the students.

- Budget Cuts – It has been announced that NYC Public Schools should expect to experience budget cuts this year. At this time, we are not sure how this would impact the school. However, due to the low register enrollment I anticipate having to excess a teacher.
- CEP Goals – Next month, we will spend some time reviewing our goals and data from this school year to prepare for the 20-21 school year. We may have to rollover our goals since we were unable to complete the school year in the building which impacted our next steps.

❖ Open Agenda Items

- Carnival and Laser Light show will hold our check for next year.
- Bus company for 5th grade trip is going to hold the check and send a reimbursement in September.
- Joanna expressed that everything is running smoothly and students are not given too much work. As parents we should continue to support our children. Possibly if teachers could support parents with a parent meeting.
- This experience has shown that we have a number of family members that are not familiar with how to use technology nor do they own technology. When our circumstance changes, we would like for Mr. Mario to put together a series of workshop for parents on how to use technology (preferably in small groups or by grade).

❖ Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 19, 2020