



School Leadership Team March 3, 2015

Members Present: Danielle Salzberg (Principal, CORE), Ann Marie Foss (CORE PTA President), Maria Hartman (Chair), Kate Hickey

Members Absent: Evan Smith (CORE/UFT Rep), Mary Manhardt (Parent Member/Secretary), Ina Norris (Parent Rep), Allison Schwartz (Student Rep)

Parents "at large" present: Susan Crowson, Marilyn Lee,

Staff "at large" present: Interim AVP Scott Bruses

Agenda Items

Cell phones: 1st day of cell phones allowed upstairs went quite well. 2nd day there were 2 instances of "challenge". The reaction of having cell phones back in the schools have been mixed. A lot of kids are thrilled, yet many feel that "we've been fine without them" and didn't seem to mind paying \$1 to store them for the day. A lot of the contracts are back. They need to be returned Friday, March 6th. If the contracts are not in by then, those kids won't be able to bring phones into the school.

Learning Environment Surveys have arrived. They will be distributed during Parent-Teacher conferences. It was suggested that we hand out at PTA meeting and encourage parents to get a jump start by calling the number provided on DOE website to obtain the access code.

Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for March 26-27 (Evening conferences Thursday and Afternoon conferences on Friday). Advisor will send out a sign up for conferences, then parents can sign up to meet with teachers.

Scanners: Currently there are 2 scanners on the campus. But one is usually out of service and the other breaks down often leaving a lag time between kids arriving and being able to get through and up to class. It became a huge issue when the school was evacuated and they had to get 1400 kids back into the school at one time. School security said that it's hard to repair the scanners due to lack of parts. It was suggested that we draft a letter to DOE security division requesting a new scanner.

C-30 process: to hire permanent Assistant Vice Principal. Date to start process will be delayed due to principal Salzberg's desire to have the AVP position changed to a 12 month position in lieu of 10 months. The C-30 process will include parents, staff and teachers.

CEP: Needs to be revised.

Quality Review: 5 areas of evaluation: Curriculum, Pedagogy, Assessment, High Expectations and Professional Collaborations. School received well developed in 3 categories and the evaluator has requested more information to determine whether we can get a well developed in the other 2 areas.

Inside Schools (Clara Hemphill) will be coming to evaluate school on March 30th. She'll be at the school for 2 hours.

The documentary that was made will be posted to the website so we can all see this masterful creation by McCourt students.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Crowson