

School Leadership Team Minutes

March 5, 2020

Welcome: Meeting called to order at 4:30pm by Joann Hill

Attendees:

Bianca Colon

Giselly Fernandez

Jose Contreras

Emory Davis

Barbara Gordon as PTA representative because Evie H. could not come

Frederica Sayles

Gabrielle Gilliam

Joann Hill

Janeen Johnson

Maximillian Re-sugiura

Robert Robinson

Helen Vachicouras

CEP

Chronic absenteeism: Good news, Experiencing an attendance reversal

Senior 35.33%

Junior 26.19%

Soph 17.18%

Fresh 12.29%

-Kinvoled is working-50% of faculty are using it

-Year over year attendance improved 90.3% to 91.2%

2019-2020 Discipline

-The ration of Black & Latino students with IEPs has dropped to almost aligned with general population

-9 suspensions:

-2 Superintendent suspensions=physical violence

-7 Principal suspensions=bullying/cyberbullying

-New mediation strategy being used including 2-week follow-up

-starting talk about vaping in Chemistry class

-new Social/emotional learning integrated into ELA 9

-Bring in Substance Abuse Prevention coordinator

-Try to help kids before they get into trouble that leads to suspension

Principal report

-Coronavirus alert/not anxious

-increase deep cleanings

- all schools has face masks in case someone exhibits symptoms
- wash hands before meals
- cover cough
- avoid touching face
- avoid close contact with sick people
- get flu shot
- stay home if you are sick

*Distance classes possible if an outbreak

- Bulldog points with directives to staff to reward students that have made greatest progress in the class.
- add matte boards to Bulldog point catalog

- PSAT-just taken yesterday
- not enough proctors
- National Merit Scholarship is only open PSAT in the Fall but we take it in the Spring in NYC.

*This conflicts with College Now. Sophs excited by College Now possibility

-Visitors

- Career Week
- Today the Mayor's office to support a voting initiative
- PB Initiative(Participatory Budgeting) window is the first week of April.
- Liz Kruger will have a town hall with Seniors.
- possible \$70K could be given for computer lab

-Phys Ed

- failure rate is high so working with ELA teachers to create papers to improve grade.

-Rooftop Garden voting

- need water and electrical
- flooding issue
- concept #3 is winning

-T-shirt is the next voting

- Project Red Line for economics classes to research five categories of Environmental Racism
- They will create presentations and top 3 will present to Art & Ideas Class, the create a mural

-Earth Day -NYU Tisch Film festival will include our student's films.

PTA President report given by Barbara Gordon

- Love an Artist t-shirt-very profitable
- Fanfaire very successful: \$34,000 gross. 4,000 tickets were sold!
- Workshops created for Mental Health, Financial Aid, Cyberbullying & Safety, Teen Dating violence prevention, Prescription Drug Awareness, Vaping

-St Patrick's Day Bake Sale coming up

New Business

-Overseas trips

-Possible overseas trip next year? Greece with Mr. Lee

-Ms. Vachicouras: it is only *some* students get involved.

-Mr. Lee to lead this initiative, funding available through EF tours? to help lower income students

-Mr. Re-Sugiura: we have to make the whole school more equitable.

-How could we include more low income students?

-could we do smaller trips?

-could we have an incentive program? Lottery based for 2 or 3 students?

-possible to look ahead to plan future annual trips to help students fundraising towards it?

-Have trips only for Junior year like college

-Next meeting Monday April 6, start at 4:45pm

-Adjourn at 6pm