

Forest Street Community School

School Leadership Team

MINUTES

SLT Meeting

Monday, December 17, 2018

9:00 AM to 10:00 AM, Room 407

Meeting to Order

- Mr. Donnelly called the meeting to order at 9:00am

Attendance

- Mr. Donnelly, Dr. Loften-Cooke, Mrs. Delgado, Mr. Caneras, Ms. Walker, Ms. Hunter, Ms. Stokes, Ms. Romain, and Mr. Winter

OLD BUSINESS

- Acknowledgement of committee approval of Minutes of 9/26/18

New Business

1. **Data Team-** Mr. Canares states that there is nothing to present at the meeting
 - a. Mr. Canares has been identified to speak out regarding results of data meetings to Mr. Donnelly
 - b. A data team meeting will be conducted on January 7th at 8:45 am - 10:00 am
 - c. The meeting will be prior to the SLT meeting scheduled for 1/9/18

Budget update-Dr. Loften

-The budget has not been closed as of yet

-We need to begin constructing our budget for next year

-It is recommended for next year that an ELA Boot Camp be set in place for next year based on the data

-Average grade has increased with the attendance of Math Boot Camp (Mrs. Delgado)

-Ms. Walker stated that as per Ms. Miguel, students coming in this year with the math program implemented in 3rd grade during the 2017-18 school year had less deficiencies than previous years

- Mr. Winter voices a concern with the grading of the iReady scores as quizzes.
- All grading for Math Bootcamp should be consistent throughout
- Recommendation has been made from Dr. Loften that a basics skill teacher be available for K-2 students.
- The teacher will provide foundational (ELA and Math) skills to students in a pull out setting
- Further research and justification needs to be conducted

Attendance & Tardiness update, Mrs. Delgado

- Pre-School is still struggling with attendance
- We are still working with the pre-K parents to get students to school
- In the state of NJ, students are not mandatory for Pre-K and K so parents are very inconsistent
- Some students were taken out of school for an extended period during the Thanksgiving break
- This time of year students are being taken out for a month traveling out of the country
- These concerns have been noted and a calendar of days may be provided to parents in the beginning of the year to possibly inform of key dates that can be used to vacation with their family. This may lessen the number of students losing critical instructional time for vacationing or traveling.

Annual School Plan: Dr. Loften

- We have ELA benchmarks to be reviewed
- Ms. Hunter and Mr. winter will provide Dr. Loften with Math benchmark reports for K-7
 - The percentage of students that have taken the benchmark
 - Students that passed the assessment with a 70%
 - The percentage of ESL students that took the assessment
 - The percentage of resource students that took the assessment

Community School, Ernesto Lorenzo, Site Coordinator

- On Tuesday, January 22, 2019, Saint Barnabas will send 25 volunteers coming to paint total of 5 murals around the school
- Teacher and staff are asked to send ideas for murals to Mr. Lorenzo to be approved by Dr. Loften

- Multiplication facts, addition and subtraction facts painted in hallways
- Possible facts painted on stairs: the cost to complete that is too high so it is recommended that we paint the stairs

ESEA Distinguished School Award

- ESEA Conference, Kansas City, 1/30 to 2/2/19
- The district will put out the money for the team and later be reimbursed
- We are waiting for the press release to come back from the state
- Hotels did get changed to the Philips
- Dr. Loften will check further on flight concerns and luggage

Selection of Governor's Teacher/Para of the Year (by end of this week)

- The nominations will be brought forth during the staff meeting
- Nominees will be asked to accept or decline nominations
- If accepted, a vote will be done during the meeting

Progress Reports to go home, 12/18/18

Boot Camp to resume after holidays

- Boot camp will begin on January 5th

Homework and technology packages for holiday break

- Dr. Loften will include in her blast

Black History Month, Feb 1 to Feb 28, 2019

- Celebrating the era of the Cotton Club
- The era of the Cotton club is 1923-1940
- Each classroom bringing to life someone of the era
- Transform the multipurpose room into the cotton club
- Get teachers on board and thinking about what their class will present
- Ms. Walker can spearhead the event: sending out an email to teachers in preparing their students
- The event can be opened with a skit (grandmother narrating the history of the cotton club to her grandchildren)

GOOD OF THE ORDER

- Parent Conferences, 2/4 and 2/5/19

Winter Concert tonight, 12/17 6 PM

ADJOURN

Ms. Delgado made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Mr Caranres. The meeting was adjourned at 10:00am