PS/IS 229 SLT

William Kirk, Principal

SLT Minutes, October 19th, 2023

**Present:** Angela Tipaldi, Michael Sherman, Teresa Caravello, Michelle Jung, Antoinette Vorilas, Jennifer Jansen, Michael Lacombe, Dhara Shah, Ray Wu, Jessica O’Mahoney-Schwartz

**Absent:** William Kirk

**Agenda:**

**Review of Minutes**: Approved

Bylaws need to be review and updated

**PTA Update**

9/29 was graduation picture day.

Miss Chocolate fundraiser

Carnival postponed until April 13, 2024

PTA meeting- low attendance

Spirit wear has ended

Picture days for all grades: October 23-24, 2023, forms due 10/20.

Grade 8 Senior Picture, October 23, 2023

Drive for VA has started, collections until \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Snack Shack- students must get lunch first then go to Snack Shack; on ice cream day, students must be called by table

Halloween Dance (Grades 3-5) 10/26

Harvest Walk 10/31

**Secondary Assessments**

**-**Given based on decoding deficiencies found via initial assessment (iReady/Acadiance)

-AIS will be provided twice weekly for extra support

**SLT Bylaws**

-should be reviewed and updated annually

-SLT members will not have 11 members

-Co-Chairs: Ms. Tipaldi, Mr. Sherman

-Secretary: Ms. O’Mahoney-Schwartz

-CEP also needs to be updated.

-Bylaws amended 10/19/2023

**State Test Results**

**-**Review of data

-Disparity of scoring between iReady and state test

-Students need access to MyPath. Harvest Walk will help to fund the program, as well IXL.

-Math scores dropped between grades 6 to 7.

**Academic Troubleshooting**

-Possible departmentalization to drive better instruction.

-Teachers did not feel they were able to teach in-depth.

-Scores show that departmentalization helped to raise student scores-> revisit?

-Identify student groups (ENL, SWD) and chronically absent

**-**How does absenteeism affect student success?

-Influx of new students to grade 6 have no fundamental skills

-The school does not have an official honors program in grade 6

-Track students that in 229 prior to grade 6

-Middle school needs more activities (student/faculty games, fun runs etc.)

-October 27- sale of Halloween goodies during lunch periods to raise money for activities

**Parent Contact/Website Development**

-Website needs to be updated with more information

-Possible grade hubs on Google Classroom

-Parents felt that was no point of contact to engage with staff

-How can technology be utilized to improve contact between the school and families?

**Title I Status**

-Forms need to be returned by families for Title I status

-School currently at 56% and needs 55 more forms to reach Title I status

-ENL teachers are reaching out to parents that require translation in regard to filling out form

-Have forms available during parent engagement workshops, NIA feast, etc.