

PS 261 SLT MEETING
December 10, 2010

IN ATTENDANCE: Jamie Silberstein, Alka Khushalani, Sara Cookingham, Pam Jenkins, Klara Carames, Rick Knutsen, Julie Smore-Ehrlich, Beth Winson, Judy Salazar, Ann Thibodeau, Zipporah Mills

- I. Following up on programs addressing “Healthy Relationships”
 - **CADV** – Zip did sign an agreement to bring the Relationships are Elementary program into the school. It is fully funded for one year. Will start in January. Details TBD.
 - **RCCP** – Sara reported that she has been in touch with the Center for Social Research and that there is a full day overview required for all teachers and weeklong training sessions, which will be extremely challenging to schedule. Cost is \$8-10K per 35 teachers trained.
 - Kim Tulloch could work on the CADV program and integrate elements into the Code of Conduct/Healthy Relationships curriculum.
 - Kim T. would essentially work as the liaison between the program and the faculty.
 - **Additional programs** – Beth looked at Tribes, which has 4 Agreements based on character vs. conduct. Cost is approx. \$6K
 - The PTA is also developing **Café 261**, which will be a way for parents to be integrated into the lunch/recess hour.
 - ***We should form a committee of parents and teachers who oversee this endeavor so that our specific needs are identified and addressed. We also need to draft a timeline for rolling out individual parts of this school wide project. Klara and Beth volunteered to coordinate/head this group.
- II. **CEP** feedback – Zip & Sara
 - No feedback yet.
 - The final draft is due on January 19, 2010. Sara is our point person, and is still waiting to hear more from the DOE.
- III. Report on **ARIS** – Klara headed up the effort to spread the word about ARIS Parent Link. Setting up a presence in the lobby, she oversaw the distribution of login ids and passwords along with instructions on how to use ARIS. She will repeat in the Spring.
- IV. **Election for a new parent member** – at February PTA meeting. Alka will post the announcement and ensure that we are set up to receive candidate statements

online. Beth and Pam will be present at the February 18th meeting to distribute candidate statements/count ballots.

- V. SLT in the school newsletter –We need to keep our school community apprised of our activities and efforts, and raise our visibility. Pam or Alka to contact Melanie.

ACTION ITEMS

Zip & Sara

1. Email CADV Curriculum to entire SLT
2. Follow up with CADV:
 - Nail down the date they are starting at PS 261.
 - Schedule a planning meeting before CADV comes in with Kim and additional 4th and 5th grade teachers*.

*Include parties who will have a hand in drafting the Healthy Relationships manifesto/code of conduct (SLT members, interested parents, etc - basically the entire SLT + Ann Thibodeau and Julie Smore-Ehrlich)?

3. Officially enlist Kim T. as liaison between teachers, CADV and Healthy Relations committee.
4. Plan a report on the budget to present to the SLT early next year.

Sara

1. Re: CEP final draft
 - Interpret feedback on CEP. Inform SLT of timeline/schedule for final draft.
 - Assign SLT members (Beth, Pam, Alka) to categories on the final draft.
2. Email Grant Writing Committee (Emily, Leslie) and put in touch with Beth Winson (Beth has a grant in mind for us)

Alka

1. Plan election to fill 2 parent seats on the SLT
2. Draft and publish meeting minutes from last meeting
3. Assist with final draft of CEP
4. Write SLT column for newsletter

Beth & Pam

1. Assist Sara with CEP final draft
2. Oversee SLT election at February PTA meeting (distribute candidate statements, count votes, inform new members, etc)

Pam

1. Contact editor of newsletter re: SLT column

Beth

1. Get in touch with the grant writing committee for the grant you told us about.

2. Work with Klara to oversee the Healthy Relationships committee.

Klara

1. Serve as point person for the SLT for the Healthy Relationships committee.
2. Create a parents' wish list for Code of Conduct (call a meeting for this purpose, enlist the help of interested parents to serve on the Healthy Relationships committee, etc.)

SCHOOL SURVEY & PROGRESS REPORT

<http://schools.nyc.gov/SchoolPortals/15/K261/AboutUs/Statistics/default.htm>

BYLAWS

http://www.ps261.org/ABOUT-THE-SCHOOL/SLT/archives/PS261SLT_Bylaws_2006.pdf

REGULATION OF THE CHANCELLOR

<http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/ronlyres/381F4607-7841-4D28-B7D5-0F30DDB77DFA/82007/A655FINAL1.pdf>

SLT SUPPORT ONLINE

<http://sltsupport.blogspot.com/>