

P.S.174Q School Leadership Team Minutes
Friday, September 16, 2016

The meeting began at: 7:30 a.m.

Attendance: Principal Karin Kelly, Wendy Bernstein, Heather Dimitriadis, Angelina Fernandez, Denise Frango, David Heath, Geraldo Maldonado, Gina Mastrogiacomo, Richard Niccolich, Marie Russell, Elana White

Observers: Laura Hui, Parent Coordinator

June minutes were amended and approved.

New Members: Welcome to Angelina Fernandez, PA President, Wendy Bernstein, Teacher representative, and Denise Frango, DC 37 representative.

SLT Positions: For this school year, it was agreed that Gina Mastrogiacomo and Richard Niccolich, will co-chair, and Marie Russell will continue as secretary.

SLT Meeting Dates: Meetings will be held on Friday mornings at 7:30 a.m. The dates are as follows: September 16th October 14th, November 18th, December 16th, January 20th, February 17th, March 17th, April 21st, May 19th, and June 16th.

School Policies: Homework and cell phone policies for the new school year were discussed. A handout of the current cellphone policy was distributed. It was recommended that the word “auditorium” be added to the policy. Cell phone watches should be added to the list of devices covered under the policy. The homework and grading policy will be reviewed by upper and lower grade teacher teams. A handout was distributed highlighting the current New York City Department of Education grading guidelines. The school uniform policy will be discussed over the course of the year.

School Goals: To continue on with last year's instructional focus, a group of dates for parent walkthroughs will be arranged. The school's instructional focus plan in other languages will be made available for parents. Contact Mrs. Hui for further details.

Awards and Recognitions:

- Over the summer, several of our students were invited to perform at a live televised event on Fox News. As a follow-up to that, at last week's assembly “National Anthem Sing-along” our upper grade students sang the anthem as it was streamed live across the country (available on You Tube).
- Our New York State Reward School Status plaque is hanging up in the lobby. This award acknowledges the high achievements gained for all students. This is the third year in a row that we have received this award.
- PS 174 has nominated two of our parents, David Heath and Geraldo Maldonado, to the Community Education Council recognizing their continuous support to our school.
- The 2nd annual “Bring Your Dad to School” day will be held next week.
- Two students in 5th grade will be invited to attend a special awards dinner for the SIFMA Foundation highlighting their participation in the stock market game.

Our web designer will be taking pictures of all our awards to be uploaded onto our school website.

Misc: Even though we are experiencing some high temperatures, the Chancellor's Regulations continues to be no electric fans in the classroom. Councilwoman Kozlowitz holds Participatory Budget meetings to discuss funding within the community. Parents are invited to attend and voice their opinions on educational issues. The online school supply company shipped 170 orders this year, and the supplies were delivered directly to teacher classrooms. Plans to streamline the distribution process will be reviewed for next year.

Meeting ended at 9:11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Marie Russell