

PS 41 School Leadership Team Minutes
Monday, October 17, 2016
4:45 - 6:05
PS 41 Library

Members Present: David Allee, Michelle Caldwell, Stella Chang, Amy Frisch, Jamie Hillegass, Josephine Koh, Maud Maron, Kelly Shannon

Absent: Matthew Horovitz, Mike LaRocco

Minutes prepared by: Michelle Caldwell

Business:

Approval of September minutes

Bylaws

- Updated bylaws were presented at the September Meeting
- They were approved at tonight's meeting and signed
- They will be put on the school website

Report Cards

- Only approximately 19 school days between beginning of year and date teachers need to start report cards for parent teacher conference and STARS deadlines
- Therefore, November report card will be an abridged version of full report card; all indicators come from STARS, but not all indicators will appear on November's report card
 - Due to brevity and many parts of the curriculum not being taught prior to completion of report cards
 - The goal is to give accurate grades and not rush through curriculum
- Specialty teachers will be giving grades in December, not on the November report card

SLT Survey

- Large survey broken up into three small surveys this year
- Draft of fall parent survey with focus on academics and curriculum
- Change question regarding curriculum night to scale
- How can we address question of homework and begin to think about how we can most effectively support children's learning at home?
 - How do you feel about your child's homework?
 - If PS 41 hosted a seminar on homework, would you attend?
- Family Morning question
 - Goal is to ascertain what kinds of family mornings are most useful to parents

Homework

- Possible next steps: meeting for interested parents, guest speaker/expert visit, research team

Principal's Updates

- Open School changes for specialty teachers
- DOT came to 41 to meet with Principal Shannon over her concerns about traffic issues on both 11th St and Greenwich Ave

Meeting adjourned at 6:05

Next meeting date: Monday, November 7, 2016