

March 2019 Board Meeting

Location: NYFACS, 311 W. 120th Street, NY, NY 10027

Date: March 19, 2019

6:30pm-9:00pm

Attendance:

Richard Ortoli

Dionne Beckford

Dan Vos

Zohair Ghenania

Brandi Lilly McLean

Charmine Lucate

Joselyn Rettic

Mason Mallory

Call to Order

1) Motion to approve February Board meeting minutes and March Board Meeting agenda

2) Teacher Updates

None

3) PTO Updates

- April 5 Career Day
- Planning big fundraiser
- Multicultural Festival will be on June 8
- In talks to do our own soccer program
- Exploring bringing a farm share to NYFACS
- 5th grade field trip
 - PTO will sponsor a few students who need financial support
 - Parents would have to pay \$200 out of total trip cost (still working out details)
 - Will send out a notice to update families

4) Administrative Dashboard

- Right now school is focused on test prep using iReady assessments
 - Also pay teachers additional so they can pull small groups during their prep time to work on testing skills
- We are using our reading specialist to give more support in reading and will be taking students to the library once a month
 - Will use literacy funds from the city to purchase materials for first and second grades
- Parent conferences were successful and had about 70% of the parents attend
- PAL agreed to let us utilize all the space we need for our middle school program
- Enrollment is at 294

Cleaning Company

- Not pleased with current cleaning company
- Looking at hiring new cleaning company

5) School Calendar

- Based on the proposed construction
- Will discuss which days work best to adjust
- Motion to adjust the calendar

- Six in favor, one abstain
- Motion passed

6) Committee Updates

Finance and Facilities

- Building purchase still in process
 - Need to fundraise to help with this effort
 - Admin team has provided a lot of data (the implementation of PowerSchool will help with this in the future)
 - They contacted the DOE and had a discussion about a few things: that our SPED population in way lower than the district average
 - Will apply for the city capital funding
 - Need to get out the word to families and others to write to elected city officials to be in favor of this funding
- AP search
 - Have not come across any desirable candidate yet
 - Would like to hire a recruiter to conduct search
 - Motion to hire recruiter to assist in finding an AP

None opposed
Motion passed

Principal Salary

- The principal's salary was determined on attendance and enrollment targets, test scores all which are stipulated in the school charter along with the attainment of a five year charter renewal

Next board meeting: **April 9, 2019**

Motion to adjourn meeting

None opposed

Motion passed