

Leadership Minutes
January 6th, 2014

- Ms. Allotta and Ms. Kaplinsky opened the meeting.
- Members Present:
 - Celia Kaplinsky, Principal
 - Joanne Allotta, Teacher/Chairperson
 - Yvette Abreu, UFT Chapter Chair/Teacher
 - Rosanna LaFroschia, Teacher/Recording Secretary
 - Lori Accovelli, Teacher
 - Merrie Levine, Teacher
 - Maria Rivas, PA President/Parent
 - Gina Dellolio, Parent
 - Ann Marie Stabile, Parent
 - Sandra Ali, Parent
 - Karen Ercole, Parent
 - Suzanne Olney, Parent
 - Helene Selter, Guest/Parent Coordinator
 - Annette Greene, Guest/School Safety Officer
 - Stacey Slate, Guest- Edible Schoolyard NYC

1. Garden/Kitchen

*The recipe of the month is *Three Sisters Cups* of corns, beans, and squash. This recipe includes corn cups with roasted beans and squash.

*The next fresh Friday for teachers to be announced after the executive meeting 1/8/14.

*The kitchen classroom has moved into the new space. The kitchen/garden classes started on 1/6/14. Students are in the kitchen for two back to back periods and teachers are present.

2. School Safety

*Ms. Kaplinsky explained that there is no finalization on the entrance/exit to the garden. The head custodian will be present at a future meeting to discuss.

*If children are going to the kitchen, the gate should be locked *or* the kitchen door should be locked. Everyone will be coming together to make a decision.

3. Review and Approve Minutes from the December 2013 Meeting

* Lori Accovelli and Maria Rivas reviewed and approved the minutes from the December 2013 meeting.

4. Annual State Comprehensive Educational Plan (CEP)

* The CEP was accepted and approved with only two minor revisions. GoMath and ReadyGen were to be removed from the goals and used as the *vehicle* to move us to our goals, as they are the *resources* that we use.

5. Kindergarten Open House- January 10, 2014

*On January 10th, 2014 at 9am, there will be an open house for PreK parents to see the rigorous programs at PS 216 in an effort to retain some students for the kindergarten enrollment. PreK students need to be registered for Kindergarten, as there is no automatic enrollment. A note will go home to parents and Helene Selter will send out a *robocall*.

6. Non-Instructional Day- January 31, 2014

*Several notes will be sent home to notify parents about the non-instructional day on January 31st, 2014.

7. New Business

*Ms. Kaplinsky advised us that she received a letter from the new chancellor announcing that she will visit every school in New York City. Ms. Kaplinsky will write back welcoming her.

*In addition, we are expecting a visit from Superintendent this month.

*NYC Public Schools had a Snow Day on 1/3/14.

*The next PA meeting will not be held in the new kitchen. However, the evening meeting to be held on 3/4/14 may be. Further information will follow.

*Snack sale 1/10/14 and 1/24/14.

*The Candy sale has ended.

The next meeting will be held on February 3rd, 2014.

*Ms. Kaplinsky and Ms. Allotta closed the meeting.