Old Bethpage School

Site Based/Shared Decision-Making Committee

Meeting Minutes

FACILITATOR: Suzanne Gray, Principal Date: October 11, 2022

RECORDER: Janine Kachadourian

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| ISSUE/TOPIC | DISCUSSION/REPORTS  RECOMMENDATIONS/CONCLUSIONS  ACTIONS/ FOLLOW UP |
| I. Call to Order,  Review of Minutes | Attendance: S. Gray, K. Goldfisher, R. Farino, J. Kachadourian, D. DeMatteo, J. Chryssos, K. Goetz Absent: K. Seidel, I. Wilk, T. Schaeffer, A. Hordos |
| II. Old Business | Physical Plant updates:  The gym was repainted over the summer; new gym mats will be budgeted for. A request for new basketball nets (inside & outside) was made. The Sensory Walkway in the gym hallway is complete and Dr. Gambino, whose daughter helped with the project as part of her work toward earning a Gold Award in Girl Scouting, will lead a workshop about the sensory walk during the school year.  The kindergarten playground is complete and the fencing around it installed.   The crosswalk in front of the building has been recemented and the lightning rod for the roof will soon be installed. New vinyl designs/quotes will be created with a Cricut machine to replace the peeling ones decorating student bathrooms. |
| III. New Business | The district will implement a single point of entry policy. Beginning 10/25/22, all entryway doors, except for a designated two, will lock thirty minutes after the school day begins. After that point, entry to the building is restricted to designated doors.  Reserved parking spots for traveling staff may be necessary due to limited entryways.  A recommendation was made for all new entrance doors – many of them stick.  Wide, low steps are needed in the field for safe evacuation drills – our youngest students have difficulty scrambling up the hill to their designated spot.  The doors leading to our courtyard must be weatherproofed to remedy the constant leaking and pooling of water into the hallway.  The pavement in the courtyard is cracked and uneven – repaving was suggested.  Clarification regarding the purpose and goals (social-emotional) of the new kindergarten play space to be more clearly communicated to parents.  Brainstormed ideas regarding ways the PTA can help support and welcome new families to our school and community (a handbook? electronic communication?). Conversation will be ongoing. |
| IV. Adjournment | We will see you at our next meeting on Wednesday, November 30, 2022. |