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MLK School Advisory Council
May 30, 2023

Participants

Gerald Yung, Principal (GY)
Martha Schloming, Parent Co-Chair (MS)
Carmen Corbie, School Administration Manager (CC)
Sara Engel, Art Teacher (SE)
Sarah Carpenter, JK/K Teacher (SC)
Alexandria Grant, JK/K Teacher (AG)
Teresa Walker, paraprofessional (TW)
Kim Mott, parent of K (KM)
Marzyeh Ghassemi, parent of 3rd & K (MG)
Piotr Mitros, parent of 4th (PM)

Minutes

Meeting started at 8:07AM, held at MLK school in person as well as online via Zoom
Review and read norms aloud
Minutes: April minutes were approved 5-0 (AG, SC, MS, MG, GY)

“Community Building” Update:

- GY: Principal coffee hour in May in Afterschool room
- SC: Talent Show on Monday June 12 at 4:15pm
- GY: garden bin update; CitySprouts

Next Year’s Preview on Equity Work

- GY: thanks council attendees for their time commitment to this year’s Council; next year will develop a new School Improvement Plan (SIP); especially 2 components (guide for learning with an anti-racist, culturally affirming lens and humanize work); have MLK Equity Team come together with School Council next year; district people also available for support with Equity Team; develop smaller “experiments” to allow for greater growth (‘safe to fail’); take more chances; more information to share in the fall
- PM: Concerns about development of Equity Team and past SAC meetings
- MG: plan for more engagement at family events like coffee hour; get more people with different backgrounds involved; training in June for School Council members
- GY: MLK Friends parent rep for next year is Marzyeh Ghassemi

Open Comment:

KM: set tone of meeting

PM: difficult to do and convince families to come back

CC: moving forward, speak from own experiences

MG: perhaps hold initial meeting in rooftop garden

MS: every year is new with some returning families, think positively on setting the tone to be more inviting

AG: important to consider baggage not history; baggage does not need to be held onto but can be passed along to someone else; be conduits for families who had bad experiences

KM: consider having meeting once a quarter but not in mornings, perhaps later in the evening

MG: would also love that option, pizza afternoon with parents

PM: good for teachers that need coverage

Meeting adjourned: 8:50AM