PRMS School Governance Council Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, March 20, 2018  
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

**SGC Members Present:** Eva Beau, M.J. Chironna (co-chair), Joe Giandurco, Angelica Goldblatt, Laurie Hall, Ena Jain, Amy Jeffereis, Ellen Knapp, James Lynch (acting administrator), Mayra Quispe  

**Team Members Absent:** Dawn Greco, Jill Katkocin, Damon Lewis (co-chair), Jamie Matis, Jennifer Montanari, Joe Perella

**Next Meeting:** April 17, 2018

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- Minutes from 1/16/18 and 2/20/18 meetings will be emailed for review and approval (MJ)  
- Norwalk ACTS - Community Impact Report (March 2018) was distributed (Amy)  
  - Overview and discussion about middle school goals and social/emotional workgroup  
- 2018 Excellence in Educational Support Nomination  
  - SGC would like to select both Luis and Lisa.  
  - If not possible, Lisa D’Acunto will receive the award. SGC discussed, reached consensus and chose Lisa.

**Updates:**

- 6th Grade Orientation overview (Eva, Mayra)  
  - Full house  
- School Wellness Initiative (Ena)  
  - Incorporate language in student handbook (course description)  
  - Eight Modules to complete by May 1st (Joe G.)  
  - Already completed 1  
  - Completed Module 7 (Health Promotion for Staff)  
  - Completed Module 5 (Health Services)  
  - Completed Module 4 (Nutrition Services)  
    - Could not answer all questions  
    - Consult with Dr. Lewis  
      - Question 4  
      - Question 9  
      - Question 14  
  - @ Next meeting - complete a) Health Education, b)Physical Education and Other Physical Activity Program, and c) Counseling, Psychological and Social Services  
  - Can we reach out to others who may be more knowledgeable in these fields such as guidance counselors, P.E. teacher etc. prior to our next meeting?  
    - Joe G. will work on
- Ponus Ridge STEM Magnet School update (Jen via email)
  - Concern over space designated for Teach to One
    - Potential to build a hallway down the center and portion off classrooms
  - A lot of glass - floor to ceiling windows
    - Law Enforcement has looked at and ok’d
    - Kindergarten playground visible from street?
  - How will they serve k-8 lunch in the cafeteria?
- Review SIP before next SGC meeting
  - Color coded
  - Short video demonstrating “circles” in middle school (action item idea for SIP) will be emailed (MJ)
- PTSO
  - No updates
- NFT
  - Dr. Adamowski has proposed decreasing guidance counselors, sports & instructional aides due to budget cuts (Joe. G.)
  - There was discussion about SGC sending a letter to Dr. Adamowski about importance of keeping three guidance counselors along with their responsibilities and how the social/emotional well-being of our middle school students is directly correlated to their work (SIP etc.)
- Hispanic Parent Group Meeting (Angelica)
  - Numbers declining
  - Mr. Tejada will be at next meeting to discuss upcoming tests
- Career Day (Joe G., Ellen)
  - Career Day student survey will be distributed over next couple of weeks
  - At our April meeting we will discuss planning for career day this Spring or next year

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