

## **April 3, 2013 - SPC Meeting**

Parents in Attendance:

*Dave Demerjian, Genevieve Day, Heshan & Lindsey Berents-Weeramuni, Rebecca Nieto, Flo Zimmerman, Kristin Jurkoic, Leah Barcan, Brett Walker, Lisa Foulger, Noreen*

*Power, Jennifer Lazer*

*Staff: Maria Monteiro-Roby, Betty Alvarado, Jeff Slater, Sue Trotz*

### **Jeff Slater's Announcement that he is leaving the Curley to move to California – Jeff Slater**

Merna Vega-Wilson (former Curley Principal who is now retired will be taking over for rest of the year. A formal process will begin for a permanent replacement. The co-chairs of the SPC & SSC will meet with Cheryl Watson-Harris (Jeff's current boss) to discuss the hiring process for the replacement to start in Sept.

**Art Show Update – Sarah Zadonick** – Art show is April 11. Parent help is needed setting up, bringing artwork up to the gym from 3-5pm—Parent help needed at the art table, Clean-up -- Doodle Poll to go out and recruit helpers

### **Family Engagement Update- Brett Walker**

Brett Walker a new parent K1 who also works for BPS Family and Student Engagement office spoke about changes in the BTU contract that strengthens parent's voices and helps with decision making. There are questions about how changes are being made clear to principals. BPS is revising policies around this new contract language. In the fall there will be a SSC training.

### **SSC Update – Leah Barcan –**

Survey was conducted to gauge friendliness of the school. A document is being developed to send that has school resources and contact information. A Parent handbook already exists needs to be updated. Jill Lazer is updating the parent handbook this year and it will now officially be an SSC role to update it. Hope is to get hardcopies of. Who could print it out for us? Uniform policy vote will be conducted. Despite the fact that the SPC voted to give money to continue the incentive plan, the SSC has decided to discontinue it. There was some confusion about this. Presumably a new principal will be opinions about uniform policy and enforcement.

### **School Yard Update (Captial Campaign for Playing Field) – Rebecca Nieto and Genevieve Day**

Northeastern Civil Engineering program may be helping with the project. Mr. Brown from BPS facilities is supportive. The Landscape architect who worked in the past is going to be helping, there is a hope to get grant-writer on board, a meeting with Mayor's office is being set up. A trash clean-up is being planned for May 5. A plan needs to be addressed for ongoing clean-up of schoolyard as investors will be touring to take a look.

There was a meeting with Hurley Parents to get their advice doing a similar project. They also pieced together grants to get a school yard built. They received a matching grant from BPS. Follow up with Dominick regarding status of the 501c3 and to offer SPC support. This piece will be necessary to get the schoolyard grants. Contact Kieran Fitzgibbon ([fitzgibbonkieran@gmail.com](mailto:fitzgibbonkieran@gmail.com)) to be added to the email list and to find out about meetings.

**Treasurer's Update:** *Kimberly Rand via email*

Silent Auction brought in \$11,700

Checks are being made to Class field trip – K1 to go to the zoo, K2 went to the Children's Museum.

Kimberly will not be continuing the treasurer's role next year as she would like to focus on writing grants for the Curley. This is an extremely important SPC role to be filled.

**Fundraising Update** – Plant Sale Sat. April 27<sup>th</sup>, help will be needed. End of year backpack letter will be spearheaded by Chris Kollett and supported by Bill Ellsbree. Jess will be stepping down from co-chair of fundraising committee. So we need to look for more people to take these vitally important roles. June 14<sup>th</sup> Midway Benefit show for Art and Music is being planned by Molly Mariano. Mark your calendars.

**Parent Involvement Showcase:**

The SPC will be devoting the May & June meeting to recruiting more volunteers and for holding elections. Stay tuned for further information.

**IEP Support Group** - *Noreen Power*

Noreen is putting together a resource list for parents of children with IEPs to put on the website. Sue Trotz wants people to have the parents know their rights and to advocate for their child's rights. There was a thought to also add a page to the School Handbook that was talked about earlier in the meeting.

**DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR**

April 11 – Spring Art Show 5:30pm – 8:00pm

April 27 – Plant Sale

June 14 – Benefit for Curley Art & Music at Midway Cafe

