DECEMBER MONTHLY SCHOOL SAFETY MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2009

IN ATTENDANCE: David Newman-Coordinator Health and Safety, Dean Witte, Level III Jackson, Dan Baldwin-Chapter Leader, Marc Williams- A.P. Parent Engagement

The School Safety Committee meeting was convened on Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at 10:15 A.M. in room 1W26. Mr. Newman began the meeting by welcoming everyone and then directed attention to the first item on the agenda.

SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN: The school safety plan has been submitted and is waiting for approval.

FIRE DRILLS: The eight mandatory fire drills up until 12/1/09 have been held. There are four more fire drills remaining for the end of the year. They will not begin until April, 2010.

Perimeter/Outside Criminal Activity: Students are getting approached by adults and other students from the community and are getting robbed for their electronic equipment during the morning hours.

Safe Corridor is not patrolled in the morning by police as it is in the afternoon. It is recommended for the students to leave their electronic equipment concealed until they are in a safe place. The parents can try writing letters to the 88th Precinct, as well as the school, to try and get the Safe Corridor patrolled as it is during dismissal.

NEW BUSINESS - Level III Jackson wants clarification of School Aide’s assignments/roles in the cafeteria. Teachers are complaining about students making noise in the hallway during classes as they are leaving the lunchroom before the bell ending the period.

School Aide’s job in cafeteria: (As stated by Mr. Newman)

- To make sure the student’s do not leave the cafeteria until the end of the period.
- To make sure the students are in the right lunch period.
- To Serve as a liaison between the students and the deans in the cafeteria. School Aides are not responsible to clean up after students.

SSA’s job in cafeteria: (As stated by Level III Jackson)

- To provide a safe environment on East and West side of the cafeteria. (ex. break up fights)
- To provide assistance to school aides

ELEVATORS: Elevators A and B will be working under the new swipe system. Eventually all the elevators will be on the same system. The goal is to make the elevators run more efficiently. There are students overloading the elevators which causes elevator failure. Deans will be posted on floors to monitor elevators and help acclimate students to the new system.

The Parks Department has been vigilant monitoring and ticketing for unleashed dogs in the park.

All business having been concluded, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 PM.
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