**October 20, 2022 Minutes:**

**The October SLT Meeting for Columbia Secondary School was held virtually via Zoom and called to order at 5:32 pm with quorum present.**

**Roll Call:** Lenice Nelson, Erin Flaherty, John Beletsky, Leanne Gonzalez-Singer, Nydia Prishker, Thomas McDonough, Dwight Manning, Ezra Ju, Sara Kotzin, Dmitryi Faybyshenko, Roxana Bosch, Christine Kovich, Isis Ramos, Sam Poole

Agenda was adopted as presented.

The September minutes were approved.

1. Reports/Updates:
   1. Parents: Parental survey of space suggests inequity of gym and cafeteria use, and difficulty with providing related services, pullout sessions etc. Referral to district 5 office for compliance.
      1. Parents need to elect two more representatives to SLT
   2. Staff: UFT walkthrough scheduled focusing on safety: flooding in the basement and non-locking classroom doors; Columbia partnership: hoping to expand course offerings back to pre-pandemic levels, but may prove impossible depending on further development of COVID variants
   3. Student: Student government election pending; student representatives to SLT will be known before November SLT meeting
2. Old Business
   1. Bylaws- Principal Nelson reviewed the by-laws document and potential norms; By-law committee was formed with members: John Beletsky, Leanne Gonzalez-Singer, Roxana Bosch, Ezra Ju, Sam Poole
   2. Mission and Vision statement was reviewed- S Kotzin suggested using terms Diverse, Inclusive, and Equity. J Beletsky and E Flaherty reviewed history of terms chosen. J Beletsky mentioned attending & seeking feedback from Reimagining club last year for draft. T McDonough raised point of making the mission concrete rather than aspirational. S Kotzin suggested including Reimagining in revision. Suggestion to form mission & vision statement committee to present a draft to vote on at the November meeting.

Discussion was tabled for the November meeting with the action item of members voting on revised Mission & Vision.

* 1. Socioemotional Learning / Uniform
     1. Review of services provided by ABC - possibility of expanding to include push-in services in classrooms (by licensed social workers) in addition to continued counseling support
     2. SEL in middle school - Counselor Engleman developed curriculum
     3. Student interest in expanding restorative practices
  2. Community Day
     1. E Flaherty oral report: Community Day being planned for 11/18 focusing on mindfulness and gratitude - activities include mulching with Morningside Park, sessions with ABC, mindfulness jars, restorative circles with seniors leading middle school groups, student-led stress discussion

1. New Business:
   1. Parent & student - no new business
   2. Faculty: C30 Processes for Principal and Assistant Principal; recruitment for 4-7 parents to serve on committee has begun; committee due to district Wednesday 10/26
      1. Dwight Manning confirmed availability; other parent members pending