

School & Community Relations Committee
September 16, 2020

Attendance:

Tracy Baron	BOE Member
Shannon Johnson	BOE Member
Doug Berry	Asst. Superintendent
Liz Hausman	District PIO
Diane Newell	District CIO
Lisa Brady	Superintendent

Reopening Website

The Committee will continue to keep up with revisions necessary to keep the website current. The Reopening Plan, which lives on both the District website as well as the Reopening Dobbs Ferry Schools Website will also be kept current by the committee. Some of the early content from the website will be archived to make room for newer content as needed.

Communicating about positive COVID cases when necessary

We want to be ready when/if this occurs so that we are not scrambling when the time comes. Liz will work on a template that we can have “at the ready” and simply make changes to as necessary. Tracy and Doug shared communication from colleges that seem like a good model.

BTS Night Communications

Lisa will include this as part of her end of the week K-12 this week. We will have **BTS Week** from September 29-October 2. Teachers will produce short videos using Screencastify or Google to share their usual BTS information with parents. Teachers will email the videos to parents during BTS Week. On September 29th, the principals will “kick off” the week with a Welcome Video which will include a brief clip from Louis for the BOE as well as short clips from the various parent organizations.

Communicating about in-person BOE meetings and protocol for that

Lisa will include this information in the Agenda Snapshot. Anyone attending the BOE meeting will need to complete the Health Screener and show their clearance (on their phones) to the MS Security Desk where we will also have the temperature scanner. If they have not completed the health screener, they can do it at the security desk. All participants must wear masks and will be seated socially distanced in the Library.

Should we address all the issues around racism that are swirling around DF right now?

The Committee decided that this was not necessary at this point, but that working with the Affinity and Allies group to have a webpage with resources and information will be a goal. We can ask NYU Steinhardt Metro Center for help with this.

New BOE Photo

Liz will be at the BOE meeting at 6:40 to take individual photos of each BOE member. Please remember to wear blue or blue/white for the photos. Our usual group photo will not be possible this year.