City-wide PTO Meeting
March 7, 2018  11:30am – 1:00pm
Whelan/ SBA Complex

Goals:

1) Foster effective communication between the school department, parents, and the community
2) Provide a forum to discuss and address concerns/questions

Agenda:

- **Introductions (5 min)**
  - Meeting took place at West Revere Library.
  - 11 people present

- **Follow up from School Committee Meeting (30 min)**
  - Any additional questions/comments

  Dr. Kelly shared that she received positive feedback from the School Committee meeting. Mention of the article on school security that was in the Boston Globe yesterday. Dr. Kelly will secure this article and send along with the minutes.

A motion was made at a recent city council meeting for Dr. Kelly to meet with them to discuss school safety and security.

Question about door security and alarm systems in the older buildings-Who oversees this? We work with the maintenance department and the city/Revere Fire Department on alarms.

For example, teachers in gym at RHS have walkie talkies to ensure they hear if issues are happening.

Dr. Kelly mentioned the work that happened at the Garfield school on the intercom to replace it several years ago.

Discussion ensued regarding the different drills we do in schools to practice with students and staff. A teacher shared that she has reviewed the emergency procedures multiple times in her building.

A discussion about the day to day safety followed. Reinforcing the routine expectations is so important and principals work daily to do this. A principal shared the ways in which she does (announcements, morning memos, emails, reminders at meetings).

- **Lottery (10 min)**

  Tours are complete and forms are due back by Monday. The lottery will take place April 12th.
• **Upcoming Events (10 min)**
  - Screenagers April 4th 6:30 p.m.
    *Do we want to think about having food prior to the screening?*
  - Districtwide Student Showcase May 9th

• **Open Forum (30 min)**

  *Enza Goodwin shared information about the April Autism Calendar which will be shared with schools shortly. They are hoping that with more exposure, we can get more people to come to these free events. It is a great opportunity to network.*

  *She also shared the upcoming walk on April 21st for SEPAC. 2 SEPAC meetings in March.*

  *Principals will discuss wearing Autism Awareness t-shirts, sweatshirts in school at their Just Us meeting.*

  *Dr. Kelly shared the information she sent out regarding the March 14th student walk out.*