

Home/Hospital Planning Meeting

Wednesday, January 5th, 2022 - 3:00PM (Zoom)

Present: - Chris Smith, Lisa Silverstein, Kelly Nauerth, Pat Cain, Hannah McCann, Michele Mazzola

- 1) December 1st, 2021 Minutes - Approved
- 2) Update on Number of Students - As of today, we have 80 students, with 9 on our waiting list.
- 3) Grievance/Student Grouping Update - Chris will work with Kelly to try to clear the waiting list and remove the grouped students as quickly as possible. Shirley Green's plan to remove these students from our rolls never materialized and it is a clear contract violation. Kelly is running an attendance review to move non-attending students into Long-Term Absence Homerooms, when possible.
- 4) New Hire/Extra Block - We re-addressed the question of hiring one of the interested teachers we interviewed for our open position. Chris said that due to the shortages, HCI will not allow hiring to happen from within the district. Chris will ask our new chief about offering an extra block to our teachers to help clear the waiting list, as it is a past practice (and they are offering extra blocks in other schools).
- 5) Building Safety - For our safety, there are now working walkie talkies in three different areas of our half of the 4th floor: Kelly's office, the nurse's office and the book room.
- 6) Assignment Coordinator/Assessments - Hannah McCann applied and was approved for the assignment coordinator position and will also cover the online testing. Michele Mazzola was appointed to be in charge of in-person (paper and pencil) testing. Both names were given to Nancy Eichner and they will begin training this spring. There are no Regents exams this January.
- 7) Teaching from Home- The newest Covid Guidelines put out by HCI allow for quarantining teachers to work from home, in most circumstances. (See January 5th memo from Christopher Miller, Chief of HCI).
- 8) New Business - The Instructional Supplies Committee is meeting tomorrow to discuss any orders that need to be placed by the end of January. Pat asked that all other personal requests be emailed to him by Friday.

Next Planning Meeting - Wednesday, February 2nd - 3:00PM (Zoom)