Site Based Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2017

1. Introductions – In attendance – Audrey Bellovin, Kim Roffman, Suzanne Viscovich, Erin Debrich, Kate, Quinn, Elizabeth Ryan, Donna Welch, Jean Ricotta
2. Topics: a list of topics was generated by those in attendance at the meeting.
   - Character education
     - Kindness
     - Anti-bullying
     - Share language with parents
     - Big deal/little deal
     - Resources for parents about character education
     - New literature for parents about kindness and character education
     - Bus/recess consistency with language
     - Uncover blind spots – where are the things that are happening that we don't see and aren't aware of
     - Re-examine and double our efforts towards building a culture of kindness
     - Coping with the effects of naughty behavior and bullying
   - Policies for systematic communication with parents
     - What's happening in schools and classrooms – educational expectations
     - Administrative responses to parental concerns about what is happening in the district, in the building, with teachers
       i.e the bullying example
3. Committee decided to focus on character education and what we should be providing as result of our work. Certain ideas for the finished product:
   - Bibliography - annotated for students and for parent resources
   - Links to things online with experts within the field
   - Share the information with parents
   - What is the vocabulary used in the classroom so that it can be carried over at home?
   - How can we have an impact on the community at large? Can we reach out to the seniors as part of acts of kindness?
   - Let parents know how we deal with situations in the lunchroom, at recess, or on the bus.
   - Discuss these things over time at PTA meetings
   - Culminate at the Open House with a display
4. For the next meeting, participants will gather resources:
   - Books
   - Online resources – articles, activities
   - Ideas for child generated projects about kindness and good citizenship

- Links to the health curriculum and DASA
5. Next meeting: December 18 at 3:30 at Homestead