

**Booker T. Washington Middle School 54**

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**SLT Minutes**

November 18, 2022

7:20 AM

**SLT Members:**

<b>Core SLT Positions</b>	<b>Teacher Representatives</b>	<b>Parent Representatives</b>
Elana Elster, Principal	Sara Lichtman (co-chair)	Alexis Freeman (co-chair)
Jose Beauvais, UFT rep	Erica Williams	Dimitra Koutsantoni
Lee Uehara, PTA Co-Pres	Elizabeth McNulty	Karen Saltser
	Amanda Mersits (secretary)	Janette Cardova
	Kyle Wilson	Yael Swica
		Randall Friendman
		Sofia Hubscher

\*Late

\*\*Absent

**Observers:** Anne Pejovich, Emma Lapidos, Nildania Perez

The meeting was held in person.

**Agenda:**

**Approval of the Minutes from October**

- Minutes from October were approved.

**Principal's Report/Review of the Data**

- SHSAT was held at Booker T. yesterday. 8th graders are relieved that it's behind them.
- Report cards will be printed/distributed this afternoon
- Discussion of CEP goals

**CEP Update/Formulation of CEP Goals**

- Discussion of updating our CEP goals based on *specific* student growth for students (i.e. moving from a score of low 1 → a high 1).

- Determine a *specific* percentage (40%) of students who are in a specific grade level to approve.
  - Approval would be in general - even just by a few points.
- Goals for students scoring 3's/4's?
  - Do we need a specific goal on the CEP list for them?
  - Would be harder for a student who received a 4 in 7th grade to get a "4" on the 8th grade regents.
- Keep in mind:
  - Percentages are affected by turnover of students at Booker T.
  - Students scoring 1's and 2's struggle with learning needs/at home situations.
  - **Proposal:** 50% of students scoring 1's and 2's on their state tests will improve their score.

### **High school admissions support**

- Not a lot of information given to parents about applying for non-specialized high schools.
- Last year was similar - parents have taken charge in the past creating lists for open houses.
- Progression every year:
  - SHSAT prep in the mornings.
- Moving forward:
  - Having alum come back in the Spring to talk to 7th grade students.
  - Finding ways to educate the parents on schools that aren't the top 10.
    - Environmental Studies/HS for Math and Science/Washington Irving
  - Parents who have been through the experience can sign up to volunteer to share information with parents currently going through the experience.

### **8th Grade HW Extension Policy**

- Proposal to have an extension for HW when students are on high school tours.
- No official policy for extension - not waiting for January to assign work. Teachers have been lite on the hw/lienet with extensions. Students should speak to their specific teacher about their scenario/need to advocate for themselves.

### **SLT Observer attendance policies**

- SLT has to be open to observer attendance.
  - Website states SLT will provide a dial-in - needs to be updated.
  - Change verbiage of how observers can RSVP/should they have to RSVP.

### **New Business**

- Janette Cardova
  - Environmental involvement with community/get students involved.

### **Future Schedule of Meetings**

Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb 10, March 10, Monday April 3, May 12, June 2

### **Coffee Rotation**

December – Amanda Mersits  
 January – Erica Williams  
 February – Sara Lichtman  
 March – Dimitra Koutsantoni

April – Janette Cardova  
 May – Kyle Wilson  
 June – Dr. Elster