

MS54 – SLT MEETING MINUTES for October 12, 2018

SLT Members:

Core SLT Positions	Teacher Representatives	Parent Representatives
Elana Elster, Principal	Richard Cappadona	Barbara Denham
Jose Beauvais, UFT rep	Briana DeSantis (co-chairperson)	Alison Gardy
Chris Giordanno, PTA Co-Pres	Randee Johnson	Stefanie Goldblatt (co-chairperson)
Jerome Kramer, PTA Co-Pres	Sara Lichtman (co-secretary)	Jeanne Goffi-Fynn
	Elizabeth McNulty	Hudson Roditi
*Peter Armstrong, DC37 rep		Patricia Saydah (co-secretary)
		Andy Weinstein

*Absent

Observers: Anne Pejovich (Parent Coordinator)

Meeting convened at 7:25am at Booker T. Washington

Minutes:

Sept 14, 2018 SLT Minutes were approved. The SLT secretaries will send to Joanne to be posted.

Discussions around Agenda:

Coffee sign-up:

- November: Jeanne Goffi-Fynn
- December: Barbara Denham
- January: Brianna DeSantis
- February: Andy Weinstein
- March: Hudson Roditi
- April: Alison Gardy
- May: Patricia Saydah
- June: Jeanne Goffi-Fynn

Introduced new members

- Hudson Roditi and Andy Weinstein (both 6th grade parents)

Review of draft CEP Goals for 2018-2019

CEP to be submitted by Friday, October 19.

Page 10 – Proposed edit to Section 4. CEP Overview, question 3. Describe any special student populations and what their specific needs are. Revised 2nd sentence to “On every grade level there are classes for students on grade level, as well as students who need a 12:1:1 special education classroom.”

GOAL 1. RIGOROUS INSTRUCTION

By June 2019, students in 12:1:1 classes will improve their reading skills as evident by an overall 2% increase on the New York State ELA exam.

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(Discussion: goal approved as is)

GOAL 2. SUPPORTIVE ENVIRONMENT

By June 2019, a school created survey will show that 65% of the students surveyed said that the buddy program supported them in their transition to middle school.

(Discussion: goal approved as is)

GOAL 3. COLLABORATIVE TEACHERS

By June 2019, every teacher team will prepare one common assessment each quarter as documented through the team's Google documents resulting in a 5% increase on the collaborative teacher section of the School Quality Survey.

(Discussion: goal approved as is)

GOAL 4. EFFECTIVE SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

By June 2019, administrative and teacher leaders will collaborate to develop techniques for differentiating instruction and assignments to ensure that ICT students' needs are met as measured by a .15 increase in Danielson Component 1e.

(Discussion: goal approved as is)

GOAL 5. STRONG FAMILY COMMUNITY TIES

By June 2019, 30% of 6th graders performing below grade level (per report card) will participate in the after-school academic support program in order to help them improve their skills and complete their work.

(Discussion: Goal was revised to above to ensure it was measurable. A POD is a group of 6 students working together with a POD leader to help students keep up and feel more successful.)

SLT By-laws Review

Approved and adopted as is.

Wellness Committee Update

- This is the 3rd year of the Wellness Council. The co-chairs are Eric Supcoff and Deirdre McEvoy
- The next meeting is 10/17 at 8am.
- Update on Buddy Program: There is a Buddy Meet-Up scheduled for 10/26 during 6th period.
- Wellness communications: There is an update included in the PTA newsletter. Alison will consider including a link to the Wellness Newsletter within that update.

After-School Tutoring Program:

- They are still recruiting for tutors for the after-school academic support program. (Barnard, Columbia, Columbia Secondary HS, Bronx Science, Stuyvesant, etc).
- Recruitment Ideas:
 - o Send email to our own parent/student body (community service)
 - o Are there tutoring companies who want to give back?
- Pizza was a hit at the After-School Program. Alison will talk to PTA exec board about funds – there is most likely money already allocated to the Wellness Committee.

New Business: Student Lateness

- Is it possible for a Robo Call to be used to contact parents, so parents are aware of students being marked late at school?

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 am.

Meeting minutes submitted by SLT co-secretaries Sara Lichtman (teacher) and Patricia Saydah (parent).