



## SLT Minutes

May 10, 2006

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| ✓ R. Asher, I.A. Principal    | ✗ H. Gleich, UFT Chair | ✓ V. McBeth, PTA     |
| ✓ C. Bonds, APO               | ✓ R. Hardmond, UFT     | ✓ D. Bowman, PTA     |
| ✓ M. Mandery, BTHS Foundation | ✗ M. Weiner, UFT       | ✗ R. White-Owen, PTA |
| ✓ J. Ha, Student              | ✓ B. Glasse, Secretary | ✓ C. Wong, PTA       |
| ✓ I. Yu, Student              |                        | ✓ A. Pollard, PTA    |
- Guest(s): Keisha Husband, Parent Coordinator; Cheryl K. Jones, Parent; Dan Baldwin, UFT

### I. REVIEW OF MINUTES

- The January, February, and March minutes were accepted and the April minutes were accepted with two corrections.

### II. REPORTS

#### *Technology Committee*

- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Classrooms  
We are moving forward in completing the scope of work and will, hopefully, move forward to the design phase shortly. An alumnus Norm Keller and his wife Denise Sobel have made a significant five-year grant to the Brooklyn Tech Foundation to support this project and the Instructional Technology Teacher Center project. As a result of this grant, Brian Cosgrove will be working with us as a technical advisor to assist in moving forward in implementing instructional technology.
- Instructional Technology Teacher Center  
Work on constructing the center has begun in room 1E20. Brian Cosgrove and Matt Mandery are coordinating the project. The center should be completed by next November.
- Update on Cable Wiring / Phone System – Project Connect  
The entire phase will be completed this spring. The T-3 line should be ready for use this spring.
- Elevators  
The “H” car is near completion. All elevators will be completed by the end of the summer. Signs are prominently posted to distinguish student and staff elevators but students pull down the signs early in the day.

#### *Parent Association*

- The elections are scheduled to be held on June 2, 2006.
- The Principal will attend all meetings unless he has a scheduling conflict. Dan Baldwin has offered to attend, as well.
- Parents addressed the cell phone issue at the last PA meeting. They are passionately opposed to rid students of cell phones in the schools. Principal is honoring mayor and chancellor’s ruling to keep them out of the schools until further notice.
- Teachers are encouraged to participate and to join the PA.
- The courtyard beautification project is in full swing and is manned by volunteers headed by the Parent Coordinator, Keisha Husbands.

#### *School Safety*

- Crisis Response Team and Plan
  - (a) The Principal is investigating: 1) the location of the plan, 2) who has access to the plan, appropriately 3) is Brooklyn Tech able to evacuate, 4) and are there resources available for the plan
  - (b) Brooklyn Tech successfully passed an unannounced defibrillator drill. There were 30 respondents. The principal will add more units in the future.
  - (c) The Principal will also add more Emergency Protocol and Response Trainings as funds become available.

#### *School Facilities*

- The Principal has recently signed off on a work order for a new clock system to be installed in the school. This comes as a remedy for the current clocks which cannot be systematically synchronized.
- Project Arts funds have been used to purchase three (3) state-of-the art stereo systems which have been installed in the auditorium.

- Some offices in the school are being re-located and the uncleanliness of the boys bathroom will be addressed by the Principal.

*Subcommittee Composition*

- The following committees have been formed:
  - (a) Academic Accreditation Committee (Principal will serve on committee)
  - (b) Attendance Committee
  - (c) Safety Committee (works in conjunction with established Safety Committee).
 The committees are active during the day and parents are invited to attend.

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

- *C-30 for AP Administration – Health & Safety*  
The position will be tabled until September 2006. The Interim Acting AP will remain in the current position until then.
- *Prefect*  
Prefect will be discontinued at the end of June. Brooklyn Tech’s new website will be utilized to get out information to students, parents, and staff. Further research is required as to how else to disseminate information for those who don’t have internet access.
- *School Website*  
Educational Networks will host Brooklyn Tech’s new website. The funding is equally split between the Alumni Association and the Parents’ Association. The target date for completion is June 2006.
- *Staffing for 2006-2007*  
There is a vacancy in each subject area in addition to a Special Education teacher. There are several faculty members who will be retiring this year and some of those positions will need to be filled. Staffing is based on student enrollment.
- *Brooklyn Tech Diploma Requirements*
  - (a) Math  
The new math requirement for a Brooklyn Tech diploma is for incoming Freshman, starting with the Class of 2010, to take a math class every semester until graduation.
  - (b) Science  
Science will be tabled until September 2006
- *GPS Child Locator ([www.childlocator.com](http://www.childlocator.com))*  
Mr. Pollard, PA Parent, suggested the “Locator” as an alternative to the cell phone issue. The “locator” is a GPS watch that a student can wear so that parents can locate them at any point in time. The watch costs \$179 and there is an additional cost for the locator service
- *Remuneration Forms*  
Forms were distributed to members.
- *Compensatory Time Positions*  
Positions will be posted on the appropriate bulletin board.
- *SLT Composition / Elections*  
It was proposed and agreed upon that the SLT will consist of fourteen (14) members—six (6) parents, the Principal, another CSA member, two (2) teachers, two (2) students, one (1) Community Based Organization (CBO), and one (1) UFT representative.
- *By Laws*  
A copy of the By Laws are expected at the SLT office by June 30<sup>th</sup>
- *Comprehensive Education Plan (CEP)*  
The preliminary format was e-mailed to the Principal. He is awaiting the final format.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 7, 2006**