



SLT Minutes

February 26, 2009

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| ✓ R. Asher, Principal | ✓ D. Baldwin, UFT Chair | ✓ J. Ewing, PTA Co-President |
| ✓ D. Fanning, APO | ✓ D. Belmont, UFT | ✓ A. Grundman-Cooper, PTA |
| ✓ M. Mandery, BTAF | ✓ J. Ludwig, UFT | ✓ J. Hertzberg, SLT Chair |
| ✓ A. Ahmed, Student | ✓ S. Bendit, Student | ✓ L. Morano, PTA |
| | | x M. Tang, PTA |

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 4:48 p.m.

2. Minutes of 1/15/09 amended unanimously approved.

3. Principal's Report

- Update on the effect of the Federal Stimulus package on NYC school budgets. See attached letter.
- Facilities issues: Bell system broken, flood in gym, teacher cafeteria to close and robotics lab set to open.
- Very successful Open House prospect of a large freshman class.
- Major selection is coming up with the distribution of the power indices.
- Mr. Eric Strauss will be point person for the Learning Environment Surveys. Part of the go-green effort is answering the survey on line.
- New Faculty – Mr. Pomaro is out with a spinal injury.
- The latest parent coordinator candidate did not pass the interview. Two new candidates have been identified and parents will be called in at a future date for the interview.
- Repairs to the gym will be paid by central.

4. Budget Discussion

- Looking at C6 assignments for certain building assignments.
- Personnel cuts may involve looking at the assignments and the skill set of the staff member. Seniority is by license area.
- Do cuts involve other “philosophical” considerations, such as faculty absences and common study halls to cover classes. The administration is currently monitoring and enforcing attendance policies. A hybrid model of subs and study halls may be an option. Look at capacity, supervisory structure and cost savings.
- The next SLT meeting members should bring other cost reduction ideas and will be a standing item.
- Eliminating Sophomore Technology classes is another possible area of cuts. These cuts may hurt the majors.
- When we excess we need to be careful when we make a cut in order to get people placed and off our budget.
- Another possible area of cuts is the additional science period.

5. CEP Discussion

- Proposal by the chair to have a point person on the SLT to report back on CEP goals. Would also like to get report back on the work of the college office and the language requirement. Can the point person also be connected to the individual departments and or different constituencies. The point person may not be a member of SLT but since SLT crafted the CEP they are well suited to point these goals.
- Jeff Ewing will point the college office goal.
- David Fanning will point facilities, goal #4.
- A. Ahmed will point the language requirement issue.
- David Belmont will point the curriculum goal.
- Jeff Ludwig will point goal #2 “Performance Expectation”
- Randy Asher will point goal #3 on differentiated instruction
- Liz Morano will point goal #5 on “integration and partnership.” A Committee has already met on this.
- The SLT can be a model for collaboration.
- Public hearing on school governance on March 5th.
- Computer in the PTA office has an internet connection for parents. One computer may be made available in the PA Office.

6. Adjourned 6:22 p.m.

Next meeting March 19, 2009