



SLT Minutes

March 19, 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 |
| | | ✓ M. Tang, PTA |

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – 4:34 p.m.

2. Minutes of 02/26/09 amended and approved. Mr. Ludwig feels the need for more attribution in the minutes. The minutes will distinguish when discussions and actions take place.

3. College Office Report

Mr. Ewing will report back at the next meeting.

4. LOTE

Student representatives will report back on meeting with Mr. Arias.

5. Curriculum Committee (See Attached)

Members were given status report on the forming and work of the committee and samples of curricula checklist.

6. CEP - Goal #2 Performance Expectation (see attached)

Mr. Ludwig presented his vision on school wide responsibility, accountability, and duties. He hopes to have a preliminary report completed, with a survey of the literature and a sub committee formed. Suggestion was made to try and solicit parent participation for the committee on Parent Teacher Conference days.

7. Differentiated Instruction – Goal #3

This committee will offer professional development for the assistant principals and a possible future P.D. Strand. The Association of Supervision for Curriculum Development (ASCD) will be used to support these efforts.

8. Facilities Committee (see attached) Goal #4

Mr. Fanning has formed a committee and is looking further participation, with parents from each grade level. This committee has reviewed the status of the bathrooms. This committee is also exploring various methods for conference calling.

9. Communications Committee (see attached) Goal #5

Ms. Morano updates committee on improving existing communications and other new initiatives, including reactivating the parent email blast. The committee will revisit the issue of a “calendar checklist.” The PTA pages of the website are subject to being revised.

The current website has a lot of information but also has many menus within menus. This committee will move forward on the email blast. Bronx Science on line newsletter is a possible model for increased communication. Calendar items can also include a description of the event.

The hiring of a new parent coordinator is close to being resolved.

10. Budget Discussion

- Possible cuts are the extra period of lab time and looking at how we use lab technicians.
- Possible cuts and change in practices need to be researched including legal and contractual compliance.
- Suggestion was made to create a list of feasible cuts, compliance, costs and priority.
- Parents currently have list of possible cuts.
- Some information that may help determine what is cut is available and can be made available at our next meeting via laptop.
- Suggestion was made that each constituency bring three suggested cuts for voting by the full committee.
- School rolled over \$240,000 to help offset budget deficit in 2009/10.



- Suggested cuts for voting should include cuts for cost savings and cuts that allow us to redeploy resources.
- Suggested cuts from various constituencies should be forwarded to the committee chair. Reservations were mentioned with respect to suggestions being made without final budget numbers.

10. Principals Report

- Bell system is being repaired.
- New NHS Study hall in 9W20 with ribbon cutting on March 25, 2009
- DNA lab and computer lab in design phase.
- College office being relocated and BN3 to return to classroom.
- Major selection is moving forward with placement.
- Learning Environment Survey is being coordinated by Mr. Strauss.
- Homecoming is April 24th and 25th.

Adjourned 6:38 p.m.

Next meeting April 23, 2009