SLT MINUTES
May 17, 2012

1. Call to order
4:35 pm meeting commencement. M. Gorbonosov sent regrets as she is at Senior Debates.

2. Approval of prior meeting minutes
Due to a miscommunication, April minutes were not circulated. Paper copy was produced by Mr. Asher, circulated and accepted by members.

3. SLT stipend
Mr. Ludwig has questions about the processing of SLT stipends. Mr. Asher explained the stipend rules and process as per Chancellor Regulation A-655. A stipend form to record hours will be given to each member to complete and submit for processing.

4. CEP/budget alignment
Mr. Ludwig voiced concerns about the timeline for CEP preparation, submission and budget alignment. Mr. Asher addressed all concerns by outlining the process that the SLT has adopted over the years. He first addressed the fact that CEP development time is not in line with the school year nor the length of terms for members. He stated that in order to adhere to deadlines, goals are developed at a time when budgets are not known. It is then difficult to place a dollar amount on what will be spent to achieve the goals the SLT wants to work on.

Mr. Asher circulated a copy of the “SLT View” of Galaxy Budget information. He told SLT that this information is available online for the public to view minus any identifying information of staff members. Positions are given fixed dollar amounts representing the DOE average salary for that position. Mr. Asher walked the SLT through the lines of the budget and explained his budget practices. It was asked if the SLT has say about the spending of the money. Mr. Asher said that he has always maintained that if the SLT wants to have a say about where the money is spent then it must equally share the burden of exessing.
5. **CEP quarterly review**

Ms. Morgan mentioned the quarterly review reviews for CEP. Mr. Ludwig said that the CEP planning should take place in September or later. Mr. Asher said that BTHS SLT composition will have many changes for FY13. New UFT Chair, new parent members and new student members will be joining for next year. Mr. Asher has suggested that they have a meeting that involves as many members (old and new) to discuss putting together the best draft CEP for FY13.

6. **PTA report.**

Mr. Greene reported that end-of-year duties were in process for PTA. Monday, June 4 will be PTA elections. Meeting for College prep with speaker Cheryl Paradis was well attended.

7. **Principal’s report**

Mr. Asher reported that there will be a site visit of city observers on May 24th and 25th for approval from State on CTE certifications being given by Brooklyn Tech. City approves the application first then State decides. Three (3) strands being submitted: Civil Engineering and Architecture; Mechanical and Electrical Engineering; Media and Design. These areas represent nearly 3000 students in the building. Approval of the CTE designation means students will graduate with endorsement on diploma and more funding will be made available to the school for teaching in these areas.

Last Call Concert on Tuesday, May 29 at 6:30pm.

Gala with Alumni Association on June 7th moving forward. Faculty discount is available from Alum donations as well as invitations for selected students to introduce them to life as an alum after graduation.

Learning Environment survey results are in. Response numbers for BTHS: 85% of students, 40% of teaching faculty and 6% of parents (292 surveys)

Error on US reporting that ranks schools. Has Brooklyn Tech fallen from 63 in country to 468. Attempting to have the data source verified and corrected.

Results on voting in SBO (percent of those in favor):

- 92% ??
- 87% Technology Coordinator 93.5%
- ??% Chair Physics
- ??% Chair Social Studies 85% Attendance Coordinator (FT)
- 89.6% Calendar change
- ??% Bell Schedule change

DOE has made June 25th and 26th Professional Development days on school calendar.

Calendar change for 2012-13 will result in a 4 marking period cycle. Parent conferences will be scheduled in November and April.

Bell Schedule change will result in no morning tutoring (students were not utilizing). Tutoring will be on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday for 33 minutes after school.
Science labs will be aligned with classes so that the teacher who instructs will also conduct labs. This is beneficial to all as there will be no excessing of teaching staff and there will be more sections of classes offered to students.

Two issues Mr. Asher wanted SLT endorsement of:

1. Grade increments of 1 instead of 5.

2. Grade earned is grade student gets with no floor (currently 50).
   
   Motion to maintain a floor of 50 passed.

Questions about the proposed Annualization Model for the school year. Mr. Asher gave condensed presentation to SLT on DOE policy on Academic policies.

8. **New business from SLT members**

K. Cera will not be at June meeting and is term is concluded with the SLT. He thanked everyone for their time and for making his post as Chair an enjoyable one.

9. **Meeting adjournment and reminder of next meeting date**

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 pm. Next meeting is 4:30 pm, June 14th, 2012.