

SLT Minutes - 05/06/2024

In attendance:

Stephen Chaterpaul

Denice Gamper (Core team member and minute taker of the May 6, 2024, meeting)

Anne Shields

Petra Riviere

Julia Guerra

Melanie Pflaum

Gabe Rosenberg

Amie Macdonald

Cindy Hsiao

Rosemarie Bray

Miri Navasky

Diana Previllon

Laura-Albane Peyronnet

Ivy Laidlaw-Morris

Guest

Carol Turitz

Marie Edesess

Arabella Emerson Rhodes

Wyatt Shore

Mary Ferguson

Justine Zinkin

Oona Rosburg

Emma Giersdorf

Rona Tamir

Brian Morris

Ursula Schindler

Alice O'Neil

Matteo Edesess-Hardy

Yu Wong

1. Meeting called to order at 5:05PM
2. Minute taker - Denice Gamper
3. Introductions and Welcome
 - a. SLT representatives and visitors
4. Approval of Minutes
 - a. March Minutes - Ms.Hsiao will send proposed revisions to the March minutes to accurately reflect all issues raised during the meeting
 - b. April Minutes - approved as amended with the updated attendance.
 - c. Questions were raised about holding hybrid SLT meetings moving forward (in-person and via Zoom). Dr. Chaterpaul has agreed to hold the remaining SLT meetings in-person and available on Zoom.

5. Revision of SLT By-Laws and Mission Statement tabled until SY 2024-25.
 - a. 1st SLT meeting - Revision of the by-laws will be the first agenda item with the formation of the SLT By-laws subcommittee.
 - b. The subcommittee will reflect the composition of the SLT to include all stakeholders; faculty, parents, students.
 - c. Committee members will be responsible for communicating with their respective constituencies for input and feedback.
6. Budget summary - Dr. Chaterpaul
 - a. The DoE budget will be released sometime in late May. Dr. Chaterpaul said the actual budget for SY 2024-25 may be delayed.
 - b. Cycling down fiscal year 2023-24 and cycling up for fiscal year 2024-25.
 - c. Rollover and new average salaries for the coming school year are only available.
 - d. Budget is flat - allocation for each student is about the same for the coming school year. Average teacher salary has increased for next year. Most of the budget is dedicated to funding teacher salaries.
 - e. PTA provides \$400,000 total expenditure.
 - i. PTA is actively seeking more funding sources such as grants and foundational money.
 - f. On occasion the NYC PS issues SAM (School Allocation Memorandums) related to earmarked NYC and NYS funds for a variety of projects.
 - g. Participatory budgeting - budgeting line available through City Council. Each council person has 1 million dollars allocated that they can use to fund projects in their district. Allocation of funds for a given project are contingent on voting by the constituency.
 - i. This year BHSEC made a request for \$200,000 and made it on the ballot through the advocacy of a 9th grade parent. The results of the participatory budgeting within the next two weeks.
 - h. Reso A grants through City Council and Borough Presidents
 - i. Both grants are to fund renovation of student bathrooms.
 - i. Bard budget
 - i. Has a Math and Science and SMART Scholars grant from NYS and these are managed by Bard College.
 - j. NYS senator sent out an email to principals in their district to make funding requests above 10K
 - i. Dr. Chaterpaul requested
 1. \$1.2 million for a new gym
 2. \$350,000 to provide computers in every classroom
 - k. PTA provides funds to purchase Y1 and Y2 seminar books. Students getting their own books impacts instruction and student experience.
7. CEP Priorities and Goals Formulation
 - a. Need to take some time to discuss the comprehensive needs assessment before addressing CEP Priorities and Goals Formulation
 - b. CEP Priorities

- i. Read well
 - ii. Physically and Emotionally Safe
 - iii. High quality Academic Experience
 - iv. College and Career Readiness
 - v. Attendance and IEP Inclusive
 - c. Dr. Chaterpaul has to submit the completed CEP by July 15 for review and feedback from the Superintendent's office.
 - d. Progress monitoring must be done quarterly by the SLT.
 - e. Dr. Chaterpaul stated that the CEP for this school year was not completed and flagged by the superintendent's office. That is why there was a delay in making the CEP available publically.
8. Additional SLT meetings have been scheduled for May 20 and June 10. All meetings moving forward will meet for 2 hours from 5 to 7. All meetings moving forward will be hybrid and a Zoom link will be sent out to the community.
 9. Plan moving forward
 10. Student report was given by Laura Peyonnet - Y2 Representative.
 11. 10th grade representative stated that the SU (student union) is looking for ways to create opportunities to empower students and find ways for students to communicate with their SU representatives.
 12. 10th grade SU representative suggested that it is time for the SU to look at ways to improve student participation and performance.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55PM
Respectfully submitted,
Denice Gamper