School Leadership Team Minutes October 19, 2026

Record of Attendance

Principal: Brian Pew UFT Chapter Chair: Melanie Pflaum PTA President: Samantha Brooks --- CBO Bard College Vacant --- UFT Members Kyung Cho - Annie Shields Vacant UFT Member --- Yr II Parents Primary: Miri Navasky Alternate: Sara McKay --- Year I Parents Primary: Abhijit Sengupta Alternate: Shane Black --- 10th Grade Parents Primary: Martha Andrews Alternate: Tania Z Kamensky --- 9th Grade (High School) Primary: TBA Alternate: TBA	Yr II Early College Students Primary: Angelique Alonso (not present) Alternate: Charlie Mansfield --- Yr I Early College Primary: Angelina Lam Alternate: Iliana Naula Elescano (not present) --- 10th Grade Primary: Lulu Yeung (not present) Alternate: Nickolas Cielo --- 9th Grade Primary: TBA Alternate: TBA --- Guests In Attendance

Open Meeting (5 mins)

Intros and handouts- quick go round
Minutes were approved [September 2026 Minutes] -
Secretary Confirmed- Martha Andrews, 10th grade parent
Select Timekeeper

Updates (40 mins)

Principal Update - 10-

2 AP posts have closed. Official announcement of start of C30 process. Dr. Pew is starting review of resumes. Will launch a C30 committee- hopes it's inclusive of family members not on SLT and SLT

members. 2 levels of interviews. 160 applications for 2 jobs. Meeting with superintendent; agreed that Bard College partners will help with resume review; Brian created a rubric for review of resumes-
4 weighted categories… 70% are Bard Specific
Shifts in soccer coaching that have been positive
Dr. Pew has done a ton of observations and is super enthusiastic about the teaching quality in the building; finds lots of joy
Curriculum night was a spectacular success
Dr. Pew expressed appreciation for the advocacy of the SLT

Faculty Update - 10
Curriculum night was well reviewed by staff
Some faculty concerns: heat; main copier;
Lack of per session for clubs
People are very up to date with Jupiter grades and fewer questions from staff
ED is November 1-
Prof Cho got to go up to Bard College and was reminded of opportunities from the past to connect between schools- wants to investigate the opportunities to strengthen this relationship.

Student Update - 10
Year 2: Sold about 100 hoodies at curriculum night; small group of kids (Cho's seminar) went to Bard College.
30 seniors are POSSE scholarship semi-finalists
Questbridge
Year 1s: New clubs; leadership position- over 50 clubs are registered (many are advocacy)
10th grade: election process is still going for 9th graders to join SLT;

Parent Update PTA - 5
Curriculum night- PTA raised over $2k; October meeting will be next Tuesday and will include sports update
Annual appeal connects to 25th anniversary
9th graders feeling somewhat overwhelmed by club fair… also need for revision
Parent Update SLT - 5
Discussion of Cornell presentation and the other things that can happen to support students in this moment… Could there be a training for kids around advocacy…
Discussion about HW policy… in terms of timing for assigning

Required SLT Training on Chancellor's Regulation A-655 (Miri-30 mins)
Explanation of video and vote on suggested process of review
Resources: pre-recorded webinar and accompanying resources for all SLT members
Composition of SLT – there will be a 9th grade parent added along with another staff member; DC37 rep; CBO partner will also be assigned

Fully Public Meetings: all meetings will be announced in advance in accordance with open meetings law

Remote video/access?

New timeline for sharing minutes, agendas- have to be shared within 2 weeks; have to be uploaded to the iPlan portal at the end of each month (Martha will do this)

SLT website… minutes will be posted at the end of the month they are approved

Martha will upload roster of SLT to iPlan

Definition of Consensus: every person does not have to agree.

New Filing Deadlines:
Roster (10/31)
10-19 people are involved

WE NEED:
9th grade student
1 teacher
1DC37
1Bard CBO

Bylaws (11/30)

Remuneration- Miri will do some research on this. Needs to be submitted before end of school in June. This will be done all together– Sara will add it to a spring meeting

Required SLT Training:
SLT Training was completed.
3 activities led to 60 day action plan.
Principal Pew has to submit: Principal Verification Form

Overall Plan & Calendar (45 minutes)
Review BHSEC Manhattan CEP goals for this year (written last year)
What do we want to focus on in November, December & January?

Community Engagement: Discussion of Community Board Meeting. Brian is scheduled to present next month. Would love Bard families to join- especially those who live in the local district. How does BARD support/interact with the local community? How can BARD kids offer tutoring…?

Discussion of Bard College- Bard High School connections: How can BHSEC build stronger connections with Bard…? (A small group of kids recently went and visited.) New President seems highly invested.

Next time: Student Engagement: Clubs; Arts; Advisory