

3/20/19 SLT Minutes

Members - Irene Lipson, Erin Levy, Lauren Laporte, Anita Maher, Nina Amster, Stephanie Walmsley, Lara Swartz, Rebecca Sherman, Michael Farber, Bob Heisler, Michelle Montoya, Diane Salanto, Dan Weitz

Not in attendance : All here

Review and Approval of Minutes - approved

Due to time constraints, we went directly into reports from each constituency

Reports from Each Constituency:

- Principal

Review of PS 24 - Spuyten Duyvil School Enrichment Program - (students in Grades 3,4,5)

Looking for feedback on the accelerated program from SLT

- This has already been presented to: Parent Advisory Committee/Tea with Principal, Teacher Advisory Committee
- Will be released to community in June after feedback is addressed

- Available to top 30 in ELA, Math and report card
- Seat held for a full school year
- Selection process of the teachers?
 - Preference sheets are used ultimately, principal chooses.
- Selection process of the children?
 - Available to top 30 in ELA, Math and report card
 - Students CAN opt out from GT and Enrichment
- Other schools have this type of program
 - There has been discussion with these schools, we will try here, this is a living, breathing document
- How do you address those that are stronger in certain areas?
 - Teachers differentiate as they do in all classes.
- How does this look in all subjects?
 - Class size is 30, reduced class size in others classes on the grade
 - One grade requested departmentalized ELA, Math
 - Another grade requesting a different model due to makeup of the grade

SLT Concerns

- Concern that this is a “tracked” program
 - Students can be moved in and out
- Concern that SLT was not consulted
 - This has been presented and we are looking for feedback before it is released to others
- This was discussed a year and a half ago and was not approved
 - This was also requested by families
- Class sizes? Why 30 in 2 classes, 20 in others?
 - This is a creative way to meet the needs of all students.

- Behavior of students

There tends to be avoidance by those that are not top 30

- This is an ICT concern - how can there be models for those students that need it?

- Parent
- Copier is an issue - can parents assist?

Secretary will be asked to get a quote

- Bathrooms
- Student council brought a proposal to custodian, they are putting in work orders

Potential Agenda for April 10th

- Revisit Enrichment Program for feedback
- Homework (teacher correction)