

PS 118 SLT Agenda
Tuesday, October 30, 2018
Room 317

Next Meeting:	SLT Executive Committee: Principal/SBL: Elizabeth Garraway Chairperson/UFT Rep: 1. Victoria Morey PTA Co-Presidents: 1. Roy Griffith 2. Roophy Roy
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- Call to order/sign in/timekeeper
- Reading/approval of September minutes
- Committee reports:
 - Diversity committee-
 - Open for new members (we need to advertise!)
 - Hispanic heritage slideshow celebration a hit with kids- fun trivia games! Staff lunch was delicious, a chance for staff to connect, and interesting comparisons between cultures
 - DOE is hosting inclusion conference for 6 students & adults. Interesting to include students who are high achieving to help see things from another point of view
 - Equity conference- Aidan representing school, students of color, same sex families
 - Facilitating parent conversation groups about equity & race, normalizing conversations. Participants feel it's a safe space to express themselves. Possible teaming up with Family Fridays to include teachers and students, or adding talks after PTA meeting
 - Embedded lessons on equity and justice, restocking class libraries with diverse characters
 - 3-5 author of can I touch your hair workshop 12/10 details on format still being worked out with Teresa & author
 - Gardening committee
 - Will be resurrected, right now the Halloween decoration
 - D15 is having Garden Train meeting
 - Abilities awareness committee

- Experienced parents giving assistance and support to other parents getting students evaluated, answering questions
 - Would like to coordinate with diversity committee & readathon committee
 - Therapy dogs for calming presence during reading
 - Readathon committee
 - 1/18-2/2
 - Website
 - Spirit day
 - Dress as fav character
 - pajama day
 - Working with abilities committee
 - Teacher team competition too!
 - Arts Committee (SLT)- dormant
 - Arts committee (PTA)
 - Another arts night 2/7
 - Unfinished business
 - EYB night in January? (discussed June 2018)
 - Teachers are discussing having it in May because last one was poorly attended
- **New Business Agenda:**
 - SLT email address
 - All pta members have access?
 - sltparents@ps118pta.org
 - **Financial Liaison- TABLED**
 - ~~Garden is open now, is there a garden committee?~~
 - Allergies
 - There's some miscommunication about who needs to sit at allergy table. Students are allowed to bring a friend to the allergy table (with approved lunch). Moving forward it will be communicated clearly
 - Parents should be instructed to communicate with teacher clearly too
 - Birthday foods? Should all parents be more inclusive of kids with allergies? Or should the allergic family bring in special food? If the birthday parent receives a list of the allergies they can cater to the room
 - **Arts Residencies dates? TABLED**

- Lice checks
 - 3x/yr
- Therapy dogs
 - READ- K-3 (library)
 - The good dog foundation (school)
 - Fear, allergies, religious considerations
 - School wide policy? Or SETSS/struggling readers only?
 - How can families opt out?
 - Can it be an opt in program?
 - Possible for readathon only?
- Creation of new Agenda (open to non-SLT members)