

SLT MINUTES - DRAFT
SLT Minutes: Monday, February 25, 2019

Attendance: Elizabeth Garraway, Victoria Morey, Teresa Bazzi, Heidi Sauberg, Ronni Horowitz, Colleen Cruz, Roy Griffith, Kim Landman, Kass Minor

1. Diversity Committee Report:

- At the last meeting we talked about Black History Month. A few committee members decorated bulletin boards in the 1st floor hallway and Science Lab with posters of influential black inventors.
- Gather groups can be organized by parents, school's role can be to help publicize.
- Mr. Steinmuller is starting a fitness club for 2nd-5th grade kids that will meet before school in the yard one day a week for 25 minutes.
- We're thinking about ways that parents can support teachers to help plan Family Friday activities.

2. Abilities Awareness Update: The Good Dog organization was grateful for our donation! We're planning a parents' night out in order to grow parent participation in this committee. Meetings take place at the Nobu building across the street from school.

3. Readathon Committee: It was a big success! The paper worm on the staircase wall will be removed shortly.

4. Hour of Code: A date is TBD. The plan is to hold this event on a date between the ELA and Math exam; sometime in April before vacation. Every class would code for an hour each.

5. Universal Permission Slip: Discussion about adding a stated purpose of trip, but consensus is that the info in newsletters is sufficient. Mode of transportation is sometimes omitted so teachers will be reminded to complete the standard permission slip already provided.

6. Upper Grade Study Habits: 5th graders have homework while other grades do not. (*4th grade homework is optional.*) Study skills that students practice in the classroom should transfer over to work at home. At the end of the year it would be helpful to have a transition to middle school study skills workshop. – This workshop could take place on the last parent night in May. There are very particular ways of memorizing information as well as different skills that one might use for various types of studying.

7. Next year's Valentine's day dance- Some parents dropped off despite email reminders. Any staff that was there were not working, parents need to supervise themselves. Kids were just running around, we need activities (organized dances, etc.) but not enough parent volunteers. Maybe Marc Herstein next year.

8. Change of SLT Meeting Date: The April meeting date has been changed to Monday, 4/29 with a start time of 4:15pm.