



## SLT Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2019 ~ 5:00pm – 8:00pm

In attendance: K. Warner, A. Beckman, L. Stor, A. Soler, W. Lopez, J. Stebel, K. Guillen, K. Myers

### CEP Goals 2018-2019

By June 26, 2019: (in draft for SY 2019-2020)

- the Math department will use the department rubric to improve the articulation of students' approach to multi-step, real-world problems as measured by a 5% increase in scores of 75 or higher on the Regents; 100% of core content of teachers should be embedding pre-AP skills into their lesson plans as related to the professional development that has been done for vertical alignment.
- 100% of The Cinema School teachers will have participated in collaborative planning for school culture events.
- 100% of the teaching staff will implement professional development (attended, planned or facilitated) that supports rigorous instruction, as evidenced by observations and student work.
- at least 75% of the teaching staff will have an overall Measures of Teaching Practice (MOTP) score of 2.75 or above in components 3B and 3C of the Danielson rubric.
- the majority of our parents will access information about their child's progress in school as evidenced by a minimum of 75% (of whom 100% represent the freshman class) who log into Pupil Path.

#### I- **Welcome! Previous Meeting Minutes Approval**

- **Approved**

#### II- **CEP Goals Check-In and Related Business**

- Mission & Vision handouts distributed
  - The school has changed since we first opened and since our relationship with our founding partner (GFS) changed. In this original language, none of us were involved. We want to see if it's time to redraft/reconceive.
    - AS - "selective" seems odd because students come here and they don't seem to be aware of or into film at first.
      - a. Our students meet a screen based on attendance, GPA, test scores, etc. We haven't had an audition to our film program as in other schools.
    - KW - How about our "Liberal Arts" curriculum? What does that mean to you?
      - a. AS - It means being exposed to lots of different subjects, not just one.
        - 1. KW - Do you feel like you have this?
          - a. WL - Yes
          - b. AS - Yes, but sometimes we learn things that are a bit repetitive.
      - ii. KW- What about growing professionally?
        - 1. AS- Not all students will work independently.
      - iii. JS - How can we get filmmaker habits of mind to appear in other subjects in terms of professionalism, personal responsibility, specialized roles, etc.?



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1. WL - When students are doing a project in math, they seem to take it more seriously.
    - a. KW - This leads to another question about what makes a project. What makes it rigorous and worthwhile? How is a project a synthesis of all of the learning in the class?
  - iv. KW - Accountable Talk Protocols - The teacher steps back and the students carry on independently. Students can explain what they're doing and why they're doing it. They can discuss, debate, and share ideas with one another.
  - v. Lesson Plan Template - Created by Mrs. Cohen-Agha & Ms. McNamara
    1. JS - This is being done to help teachers plan and create a sense of continuity throughout units of study. We want to make sure that each lesson builds towards a performance task in a meaningful way.
  - vi. KW - If we're going to give "Zeroes" as grades, high expectations must be accompanied by high support. Teachers must make it very explicit how they will help students meet success.
  - vii. Annotation strategies - We want to have a cohesive and coherent annotation plan.
    1. WL - We've done so many over the past 2 years. I feel like we're constantly getting new annotation strategies, just as we get used to an old one.
    2. JS - Shopping List method - going through text multiple times, each time annotating for ONE aspect of a text.
  - viii. Note Taking strategies - Cornell notes
  - ix. Presentations as a means of building empathy with teachers and demonstrating knowledge. Students teach each other.
- Budget check-in
    - Most of the money is spent. We have Promethean boards in many classrooms now!
      - The Steam damage in Mrs. Brownstein's room has been responded to by the DOE and we're getting all of the computers and some cameras replaced. They responded very quickly.
    - We have one more installment for Phoenix Rising.
    - We have paid for NYU College Advising Services.

### III- **Guidance Events and Updates**

- April STI Awareness Month Advisory Day- Tuesday, April 16, 2019
  - For the entire day, within the five major subjects, we'll be doing HIV/AIDS lessons. Students who have opted-out get different content.
  - Some of the 9th Grade will be going on a trip with Mrs. Jerez that day.
- College Week- Monday, May 20 – Friday, May 24, 2019
  - We're trying to fold in an MWI week and dovetail the college events.
- Typically with NYU Advising Corps, it's a two year stint, but we'll be able to keep Mr. Holliday for a 3rd year!
- National Honor Society Induction is this Tuesday. We have a dinner and a really wonderful event.

### IV- **Film Program Updates**

- **JS - All Film classes are in pre-production right now. Lots of stuff happening!**

### V- **PA Updates**

- **Parent of Shanea Sylvester was supposed to receive a gift card for the Popcornopolis fundraiser, but didn't come.**
- **We had 3 winners for the parent survey raffle. We included EVERY student who turned in the raffle, not just the late ones! We wanted to ensure that this was fair across the board.**
  - **We unfortunately didn't meet the quota. We were supposed to get 30%, and usually we get a little above that, so we might not have enough of a sample size. We're at 11%.**
- **We received the bank statement for this month.**

VI- **Student Updates**

- The AP for All retreat last year was wonderful. We wish we had more.
- Flag Football won their first game yesterday!
- Boys Volleyball is starting up. They've been practicing.
- Regents Prep - We're not ready!
  - Saturday school is coming!
- AS - For Student Council - I approached Ms. McNamara who showed interest in being involved, but she's a bit busy with our Gay Straight Alliance.
  - When it comes to picking representatives, you want teachers to help vet students who represent the diversity of the school in all of its forms.
    - We don't want to exclude any voices from the council, but councilmembers should at least be passing all of their classes.
    - Looking for 16-20 students (4-5 members per grade).
  - KW - I'll connect with her and see how we can start.
- Talent Show - May 10th.

VII- **Questions/ Concerns/ Upcoming Agenda Items/ Additional Business for Open Discussion**

- **Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15, 2019 at 5:00pm**