



SLT Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2017
Location: Library
Time 5:15pm

Meeting called to order at 5:20 pm by chairperson Kisha Turpin

SLT Meetings will be held every 1st Thursday of the Month unless specified.

Introductions

- Board and Observers

Review CEP Goals (3-5 year goals)

SLT Initiatives

- **Enrichment**
 - Improve our NIA program- updates
Jinyen hasn't had a formal meeting with reps, but the children seem to enjoy themselves. More homework is being done, and they are interested in Karate and learning Japanese. Karate outfits – Daughter received a reward on the no list of snacks.
 - Fabayo
NIA- Professional staff, eating and structure time, staff development, and outside providers, STEAM they have been more science and technology focused, they have included Yoga and Karate to their program. NIA has been partnering more with the school and following up with “PM school” the school.
 - Cece
Schedule- what the activities should be during their day. The schedule is still being tweaked; however there are improvements.
 - Shania-

Should we continue to tackle this situation? Shift the focus Shania, Kim, Fabayo, Kisha. 100% agreed to shift the focus onto another initiative.

- **PTA sustainability**

BCCS PTA Enrich is working, contracts to be signed and vendors. We are working on our violin component and payment method procedures. Vote to close 100%

- **Music Program**

SLT would still like this to happen. Cianne voiced that she would like this goal to be worked on this year.

- **Fabayo (update)**

BCCS is partnering with Third Street Band; which runs for 24 week that was brought to us from Change for Kids. 25 4th grade students have been introduced to guitar. 35 Music Hands will run for 24 weeks as well.

Pre-K will begin drumming with Cumbe. The hope of hiring a music teacher was expressed, but without funding we don't have a budget for a music teacher. Not every will have a music program.

Instruments that will be in use

Rented guitars

BCCS Enrich- Violin

NIA- Drumming and Keyboarding

If money is raised we can extend programs if enough money is raised.

Can we combine the programs for an end product?

- Not sure if there can be a culmination because the programs end at different times of the year.
- If the PTA can raise money for a teacher or if a grant can be done for the funds will this help? A grant for fund will work and raising money for programs but a teacher will be expensive.
- Vote to keep the music initiatives on for this year and focus on fundraising and grants. 100%

- **Visual Arts Program**

BSPC funded Studio in the School Pre-k 24 weeks

1-2nd grades are working Studio in the School as well for 24 weeks
3-5th were recipients of an Art and Healthy Living grant similar to Bubble. Try healthy food and then try art the other day. 12 weeks

Can we infuse art throughout the day or is that money for an art teacher Art teacher of an art residence?

- The same with funding for a music teacher is of an art teacher. A grant would be better. Vote to Keep initiative. 100%

Chess Program

Chess program was not impactful so we may not meet this program this year. Cianne suggested a program Chess in the School.

Chess in the Schools- Funding has been lost so it's been difficult to get their program in the schools again. Move forward 100%

Literacy Support -

Lower Grades- A coach has been assigned to help Pre-k – 2. 2 days a week. Push on Guided Reading and materials have been purchased. Our goal was to ELA and this year NYS Exams there was an increase 35%-51% proficient.

Practiced in place

- Test academy from 3-5 on Saturday (Wednesday)
- Monthly Newsletters starting in November to notify parents of programs along with calendar and website updates.

Vote to grants to be done to reach goal 100%

Sports & Cheerleading

Mr. Silas and Ms. Nunes scrimmages are being set. Try-outs are this Saturday. Few will keep you updated.

STEAM

To Create a robotics team – funding is needed for curriculum and staff. Looking to see who is the cream of the crop to see who can be on that team. We may need to find another provider in terms of Engineering for Kids. At the end of each cycle students are suppose to present their work and/or projects. Fabayo will be meeting with the staff on Wednesday for management and other concerns/practices.

Vendors and grants are needed

Update: How is Prose?

8-12 There isn't a provider yet, so students are in CLUBS. 4 hours back to back. Parent Mr. Shakur and other volunteers are welcome to participate and share their time.

- 8 week cycles every other week
- COW Program- Parents that love sewing/cooking can volunteer. \$10 donation. Survey will be sent home and rotations will be sent. Minimum 2 hours
- Robotics Lab- contacted department for updates waiting for reply

Algebra 4 All – Summer training

Nunes and Smith

\$30,000 Grant Staff Developer which will include : 4-5th grade per session and NCTM conference. Teachers and Admin will go out for additional professional development. Improve Math Offerings

District charter Collaborative

Blended Learning with includes technology, aligned to CCSS and curriculum.

We looked over focus standards and

- 3-5 Power Standards
- K-2 Backwards for Training

Math Tutor will be a partner with Change for Kids.

There is no support needed there. Put it on hold for the year.

Any other STEM initiatives?

Science projects this year, and info will go out about when and what for clarity and how homework should look for pacing.

Closed 6:16 pm