

QUEENS TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

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SLT Meeting

Minutes for the SLT Meeting

Wednesday, April 17, 2019

4:30-6:30pm

Library, Room 455

Chairperson: *Lisseth Salas-Ocampo,*

Speaker: *Ms. Melissa Burg, Principal, QTHS*

- 4:30-** Students were discussing global warming and its effects on our world. They were reflecting on a Q & A discussion in the auditorium, they had with one of their teachers and a guest speaker.
- 4:40-** Ms. Ocampo began the meeting by complimenting the Robotics team for their first place victory. Ms. Burg added that they swept all three NY competitions (just like last year) and will be going to Detroit, MI for competition over the spring break.
- 4:43- Skills USA-** 2 Queens Tech students won 1st and 2nd places in the category of plumbing in the Leadership Conference and State competition.
- Decision Day-** This is the second year Queens Tech is hosting a party for the seniors who made their college/career decisions. Students should bring their college acceptance letters. This is a day for students to show appreciation to the teacher or teachers who have encouraged, inspired and helped them through the year(s). There will be food and music. This party is a major factor in encourage students to be enthusiastic about their careers after they leave Queens Tech.
- 4:45-** CTE Day- Freshman will choose their majors for the next three years. SLT Members are welcome to attend. CTE Day is May 15th. Sign up is at 6:00 and the event starts at 6:30.
- 4:50- Student Concerns:** NONE
- Teacher Concerns:** Ms. Dimech was concerned that SLT members (parents) missed the last meeting. Ms. Ocampo stated she will send out reminders before the remaining meetings. She also discussed the SLT bylaws and whether we elected a chairperson or if one was appointed. We also have to only go over the bylaws every other year everyone is required to stay for two years. Also she mentioned that there is a meeting on Monday April 29th for the A.P. teachers that she was unaware of. Ms. Burg said that she was told to set up a meeting for the teachers by the UFT chairperson but he did not state what the meeting was supposed to be about.
- 4:35- Parent Concerns:** 10-11 children were caught in the auditorium smoking and cutting class. P.A. President noticed and was concerned because its effects on the

other students and their safety. The students of the SLT added that the same group of particular students are ALWAYS in the stairwells fighting, smoking and playing music and hanging out in the hallways. They also say that freshman are intrigued by this group of delinquent students and some are being lured into hanging out and cut with them.

5:35- 8th Period lunch- There has been smoking in the back staircase (X). Parents and Students were chiming in about loitering in the hallways and stairwells.

5:45- Ms. Katherine (Western Queens) needs to be more visible for the students who have questions about mental health. She has been visiting all the health classes and speaking to the children. Children can be referred to a clinician and Ms. Katherine can get students "outpatient" help if they need. She also has a newsletter that gives advice.

6:00- Ms. Dimech announced that her son got a 1300 on his PSAT's and how proud she is of him.

Next SLT Meeting will be May in the Library (Room 455) at 4:30 p.m.

6:30- Meeting was adjourned

SLT Attendees:

Melissa Burg- Principal

Lisbeth Salas-Ocampo- SLT Chairperson/CSA Representative

Dennis Whyte- Science Teacher

Vivian Colon- PA President, Parent

Orlena Grant- PA Vice President, Parent

Noor Aayla- Student

Angelica Diaz - Student

Natalia Mejia- Student

Kimberly Mera- Student

Israa Maarroof- Student

Madeline Hatcher- CBO

Keitha Goodluck, Parent

Maria Tenesaca- Title 1 Chairperson, Parent