**PS 144Q District 28**

**SLT Meeting Minutes**

**Date**: Tuesday, November 14, 2023

**Time**: 2:30 p.m.

**Location**: PS144, Room 117

**Attendees**

| **NAME** | **ROLE** | **NAME** | **ROLE** |
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| **Diana Balderman** | **SLT Member-**  **Co-PA President** | **Jen Lucadamo** | **Principal** |
| **Alison Dei** | **SLT Member-Parent** | **Lori Diamond** | **SLT Member-**  **UFT Representative** |
| **Steven Lozic** | **SLT Member- Parent** | **Kristen Bulavinetz** | **SLT Member- Teacher** |
| **George Meyer** | **SLT Member- Parent** | **Barbara Gandelman** | **SLT Member- Teacher** |
| **Carolina Schwarz** | **SLT Member- Parent** | **Kathryn Lynam** | **SLT Member- Teacher** |
| **Tanya Wendt** | **SLT Member- Parent** | **Jennifer Stathes** | **SLT Member- Teacher** |
|  |  | **Jennifer Sussman** | **SLT Member- Teacher** |
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| *Jennifer Sobers* | *Parent Observer on Zoom* | *Lydia Ra* | *Assistant Principal- Requested to Speak* |

**Chairperson**: Kristen Bulavinetz  **Note Taker/Timekeeper**: Kathryn Lynam

**2023-2024 CEP GOALS (as of November 2023)**

*Math Goal*:

*“By June 2024, there will be a 20% increase from 31% to 51% of all students on grade level as measured by iReady assessments.”*

*ELA Goal*:

*“By June 2024, there will be a 20% increase, from 46% to 66%, of all students on grade level, as measured by iReady assessments.”*

*Special Education Goal:*

*“By June 2024, to strengthen the quality and implementation of IEPs for all Students with Disabilities (SWD), we will improve Alignment of IEPs across Present Level Of Performance (PLOP), goals and recommended programs and services with an increase of 5, from 25 to 30, as measured by IEP Review in SESIS. ”*

*“By June, 2024, Chronic Absenteeism for the Students with Disabilities (SWD) subgroup will decrease 1%, from 21 to 20, as measured by Chronic Absenteeism Rate from New Visions Portal.”*

*Supportive Environment Framework Goal*: May change this goal based on data from 2021-2022

*“By June, 2024,there will be an increase of 1%, from 88% to 89% on the NYC School Survey response on communication between school and family regarding child's performance.”*

*“By June, 2024, the school will implement a program for students to ensure that the school helps to prepare students for college, career and success in life after high school as measured by an increase of 1% from 90% to 91% as measured by the NYC School Survey (Question 22). as measured by NYC School Survey Results.”*

**OCTOBER 2023 MINUTES APPROVED**

**PRINCIPALS REPORT**

1. CEP Goal
   1. We have updated the Goals for ELA and Math based on Beginning of the Year Data.
   2. iReady Beginning of the Year Data
      1. Reading:
         1. 719 Students in the school.
         2. 25% of students are mid or above grade level.
         3. 21% of students on grade level.
         4. 42% of students one grade level below.
         5. 9% of students are two grade levels below.
         6. 2% of students three or more grade levels below.
      2. Math:
         1. 719 Students in the school.
         2. 14% of students are mid or above grade level.
         3. 17% of students on grade level.
         4. 58% of students are one grade level below.
         5. 8% of students are two grade levels below.
         6. 3% of students three or more grade levels below.
   3. Why we chose iReady for our CEP Goal
      1. iReady is standards based and matches the curriculum taught based on standards.
      2. City is mandating iReady for students in grades K-5.
      3. It is easier to connect our goals to what the city is mandating.
      4. Is 51% for math too low? We were close to this percentage last year.
2. Bylaws
   1. Submission deadline for items for the agenda will be **10** days in advance as decided by SLT consensus.

**PA REPORT**

1. Fundraisers
   1. Bake Sale on Election Day was successful.
   2. Bowling Night on November 12
   3. Parents Night Out November 16
   4. Restaurant Night at the end of the month
2. Enrichment
   1. Together in Dance Performance Coming Up
   2. Second Grade: Folklore Urbano began

**UFT REPORT**

1. Teacher’s Choice
   1. This year we received a little bit less than last year. For example: Teachers received $250 last year and $235 this year.
   2. For the first year, paraprofessionals are also receiving money for Teacher’s Choice. Paraprofessionals received $60.

**OTHER DISCUSSION POINTS**

1. New grading policy and timing of communication with parents (especially for those who couldn't attend the initial meeting)
   1. The letter was finalized and sent out to families on November 14.
2. Reading Level expectations by grade (as we have changed to Lexile ranges)
   1. The Lexile Level is a range. Ms. Ra has looked for a conversion chart. Lexile is a range so it is hard to determine what is “grade level”. The percentile will list where the fall among the country.
3. I-Ready diagnostic results
   1. This was discussed during the CEP Goals in the Principal’s Report.
4. Results of last year's parent surveys
   1. Ms. Lucadamo will email the results to SLT.
5. Parent Volunteers (class tutors & recess helpers)
   1. This hasn’t started yet, however Ms. Kyne had a meeting. She will address the parents soon with updates.
6. Kindergarten Centers
   1. SLT determined that this is not an agenda item that pertains to SLT.
7. Computerized testing (for all grades, but especially 3rd-5th)
   1. Parents are concerned about computer based testing.
   2. Parents can’t see the results and what the child got wrong. No partial credit is given. Parents can click the link on Google Classroom to see the test questions and responses and points.
   3. Concerned about computer based skills vs. skills of the content.
   4. We need to take the State Test on a computer and we need to practice these skills now.
   5. Teachers don’t know how to teach a child to take an online test. We are working through this.
   6. Administration is attending a meeting about computer based testing in December and will host a parent meeting after this.
8. $150k grant for Sensory Room
   1. No updates at this time from SCA.
9. Title 3 Saturday programming for ENL students
   1. Program started 2 weeks ago. It won’t be every Saturday, but will be for 16 Saturdays between now and April.
10. PTCs; why not in-person and only 5 minutes for some classes?
    1. This is contractual with the UFT. If you would like an in person conference, it has to be at a mutually agreed upon time, not the day of PTC. Parents have always been able to meet with parents at another time if they feel they need more than 5-10 minutes.
11. Did PS144 have budget cuts due to missing enrollment goals (think 10/31 was the deadline for enrollment #s)?
    1. We did not have any budget cuts. They did not cut anyone’s budget this year. We may receive some extra money (about $60,000) because we have more enrollment at this time than projected.
    2. We have a little more than 800 students. The enrollment does not include Pre K and 3K as it is separate funding.
12. Update on Teacher's Choice money?
    1. This was discussed in the UFT Report.

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 2:30 pm**