

SLT Minutes for Thursday, December 19, 2024:

Present: Yi Law Chan, Max Chin, Kevin Low, Lisa Schultheis, Erin Young, Lillian Moy, Max Chin, Daniel Wang, Susana Gough and Jenny Yu

Absent: Beatriz Martinez

Guests:

Meeting start: 2:45 pm

Meeting adjourned: 4:00 pm

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) Review [November](#) Minutes
 - a) approved
- 3) Budget Update
 - a) Schools are harmless for register loss, so we will not owe money back to the city. We will use funding (approx. \$40,000) for:
 - i) Current or functional Promethean Boards in classrooms that need them;.
 - ii) Funding for after school residency (NDI) for our early childhood students including kindergarten and first grade. It will be a lottery system, around 20 spots available, 10 sessions;
 - iii) Funding for 1 more teacher planning day (4 total per teacher, teachers can plan 3 of the modules)
 - iv) Supplemental texts for our new curriculum
- 4) Review CEP, Update/ Next Steps
 - a) Anti-Bullying workshop will be 1/16/25
 - b) Testing workshop will be 1/24/25 on Zoom
 - c) Additional academic support for students after school - postings have been sent out - it has been a challenge to get applicants
 - d) Test Prep after school is also going to be offered after winter recess - once a week, 8-10 sessions - postings just went out
 - e) Career Day - try to move earlier in the year - March/April
 - f) A date will be selected with CPC for Chinese New Year assemblies (after the holiday, before midwinter recess)
- 5) Update on Reducing Class Size
 - a) Application due December 20, 2024.

- b) Proposal for next year's kindergarten - 1 G&T (20 students), 2 ICT classes (12 general ed students, 8 SWD), the application process for this funding would allow us to hire another special education teacher.
 - c) The upcoming first grade is in the same position, possible proposal for first also - 1 G&T and 2 ICT (no section of general education class)
 - d) Also for the upcoming 3rd grade class (1 G&T and 2 sections of ICT, and 1 section of general education).
 - e) We would request funding for 3 special education teachers, 1 general education teacher and 1 cluster teacher.
 - f) By the time we reach June every year, we know the number of ICT students within our zone. We met the threshold of students with ICT requirements very quickly this year. The two sections will increase our flexibility in accepting students from the waitlist.
- 6) New Business
- a) Harmony - Do we want to continue with Harmony or look at 3rd Street Settlement? Some concerns have come up around the ensemble. This year Harmony has increased the number of students. Yi Law has been working with Bill, from Harmony to support them. A staff member has also been staying with the program to support management needs.
 - b) Red Envelope Contest – can we standardize the requirements for the competition? We will try the competition again without standardizing it to see how it goes this year having done the school-wide competition for the first time last year. Students create the trends based on their grade level.
 - c) Career Days: we aimed to bring in professionals from diverse backgrounds, pathways to their careers, and professions, e.g. a female firefighter. We did some outreach to the local community professionals to bring in speakers. We should start building a list of contacts for this year. This year we will set dates in advance. We may be able to bring in a scientist from a local university. A panel of three speakers plus a Q&A section was the format last year over a couple of days. This year we will likely schedule one day for all speakers in person, but we will continue to discuss one day versus multiple days. We will continue to find presenters who acquired a general education background that helped them change careers when they chose to.
- 7) Set Agenda for January 16, 2025
- a) Roll Call
 - b) Review December Minutes
 - c) Budget Update
 - d) Lunar New Year

- e) Family Handbook
- f) New Business

Future Meeting Dates: January 16, 2025