

SLT Meeting for Thursday, November 21, 2024:

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

Absent:

Guests: Jenny (?), Viho Wong's Parent, Kenneth Woodin, Luxi, Mindy C., BW

Meeting start: 2:45 pm

Meeting adjourned: 4:15 pm

- 1) 2:40-2:45 Roll Call
- 2) 2:45-2:50 Approve [October Minutes](#) - approved
- 3) Budget and Enrollment Update
 - October 31 - did not meet projections for enrollment. In early 2025 the Mayor decides whether or not schools will be required to return money, if we do have to give back money, we would owe \$200,000. This will be worked out with the budget director.
 - We are also under target for subgroups (SWD) and Kindergarten
 - Numbers are based on last year's enrollment numbers.
 - Funding for ELL's is also over, because students tested well and out of the program.
 - Enrollment programs are in place to recruit students beyond Class Dojo, e.g., school tours. Our goal is always to make realistic projections and to meet those projections, though it is difficult to anticipate shifting environments.
 - Enrollment trend - is down for our school, neighborhood and district.
 - Marketing at daycare centers is a good way to increase awareness of P.S. 124's programming and invite more parents to school tours. Jenny Yu will work with our parent liaison to create a flier advertising school tours to distribute in the area.
 - Invite prospective parents to a tea and talk - will work with Lillian to see if possible.
- 4) Wit and Wisdom Parent Workshop Feedback (Workshop was held on 10/25)
 - Parents have questions about how their child would be assessed during the Q&A.
 - Shift away from reading levels and what will parents know.
 - Parent questions about being prepared for state tests - YL reassured parents that the DOE and district have looked through the curriculum and it does align to state standards.
- 5) Update on the MOCA partnership, and other partnerships

- We are honoring our school's namesake, Yung Wing, by partnering with MOCA for a fourth grade residency through Jan. 2025 regarding the impact of Yung Wing. Students will create art displays and other projects. The MOCA partnership is funded by the school budget.
- NDI for fifth grade (school budget)
- Arts Connection for kindergarten, third grade (school budget)
- Chess for first and second graders in the classroom. Chess club is offered after school at a cost. (PTA budget)

6) Reduce Class Size

- There is an opportunity to apply for additional funding to reduce class size, deadline is December 20
- It is not required at this time for individual schools to reach compliance
- SLT has to be consulted if we want to apply for this funding
- K,1,2,3 - will be 20 students when it becomes mandated
- 4th, 5th - 23 students when it becomes mandated
- Start with Kindergarten (currently 62 K students, projecting 3 sections of 20 for next year)
- This years Kindergarten ICT hit capacity very quickly, we didn't have funding to hire another special education teacher to make 2 sections
- Proposal for next years kindergarten - 1 G&T (20 students), 2 ICT classes (12 general ed students, 8 SWD), the application process for this funding would allow to hire another special education teacher
- 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)
- Also for the upcoming 3rd grade class (1 G&T and 2 sections of ICT, and 1 section of general education)
- We would request funding for 3 special education teachers, 1 general education teach and 1 cluster teacher
- Some concern about only offering ICT classes and G&T, will this prevent parents from outside the community from looking at the school
- Currently, G & T enrollment is capped at 25 for kindergarten, and for grades above this classes can go up to 32 (we cap at 28). G & T is a draw for families, so it may be a concern that the class size reductions will negatively impact parent interest in our offerings.

7) New Business - Bullying Workshop for Families - this is something that will happen in the future, hopefully before 2025, but the Winter Festival is in December. Workshop may be online to get more families.

8) Set Agenda for December 19, 2024

- Roll Call

- Review November Minutes
- Review CEP, NExt Steps
- Update on Reducing Class Size

Future Meeting Dates: December 19, 2024

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