

**Booker T. Washington Middle School 54**

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**SLT Minutes**

February 10th, 2023

**SLT Members:**

<b>Core SLT Positions</b>	<b>Teacher Representatives</b>	<b>Parent Representatives</b>
Elana Elster, Principal	Sara Lichtman (co-chair)	Alexis Freeman (co-chair)
Jose Beauvais, UFT rep	Erica Williams	Karen Saltser
Lee Uehara, PTA Co-Pres	Elizabeth McNulty	Janette Cardova
	Amanda Mersits (secretary)	Yael Swica
	Kyle Wilson	Randall Friendman
		Sofia Hubscher (parent secretary)
		Dimitra Koutsantoni

\*Late

\*\*Absent

**Observers:** Anne Pejovich

The meeting was held in person.

**Agenda:**

**Approval of the Minutes from January**

- Minutes were approved.

**Principal's Report**

- No update on the CEP

**School Performance Report**

- NYC School Performance report is now public; there's been a decline in all categories since the pandemic (2019).
  - Hopefully these performance levels will plateau after this school year.

**Booker T. School Survey**

- School survey for Booker T. families is going home today.
  - Should be completed and mailed back by families independently.
- Students will complete their own survey post-break in school.
- In general there was not the greatest turnout for survey completion last year. Will try and get those numbers up this year!

**Map Testing**

- Mixed reviews from parents based on whether the information is helpful.
- Pros:
  - Immediate and more frequent feedback vs. state tests.
  - Allows for tracking of specific skills.
  - Can track growth/progress over multiple years.
- Cons:
  - Students need to understand the importance of taking the test seriously.
  - Time consuming

**Bullying at Booker T.**

- Concerns regarding the process for reporting and investigating allegations of bullying were raised. A brief discussion ensued regarding processes in place, challenges with addressing anonymous reports, and the need for ongoing discussions in school and at home.

**New Business**

- Sold 120-something tickets raised \$10,000. Discussion of having other small versions of this auction in the spring. Likelihood of having a larger venue will allow for invitations to be extended to teachers.
- The Asian-American club needs to be reinstated this school year. Two teachers have already claimed to take charge for the school year of 2023-2024.
- Booker T. Alumni Association would be helpful for current families.

**Future Schedule of Meetings**

March 10, April 3 (Monday), May 12, June 2

**Coffee Rotation**

March – Dimitra Koutsantoni

April – Janette Cardova

May – Kyle Wilson

June – Dr. Elster