

SLT REPORT

October 2, 2018 Meeting

The School Leadership Team (SLT) is composed of school administrators, teachers, and parents. The SLT develops a school's Comprehensive Education Plan and School Improvement Plan, focusing on the values, goals, strengths, and challenges for the school as a whole. It meets monthly in the Book Hive and is open for any parent to come and hear about topics of curriculum or budget – in other words, a deeper dive into the way a school operates and defines its mission.

This year, the SLT is comprised of four teachers (Ms. Soso, Ms. Logan, Ms. Chong, and Ms. Shaw-Murphy), four parents (Jesse Hendrich, Andrew Case, Regina Miranda, and Ashley Rigby), PTO Co-Presidents Raul Rothblatt and Krystal Linton, and PS 9 administrators (most often represented by Principal D'Avilar and our Parent Coordinator, Charmaine Derrell-Jacob).

We met for the first time this year on Tuesday, October 2, in the Book Hive. We selected officer positions (Jesse Hendrich and Yolanda Shaw-Murphy as co-chairpersons, Andrew Case and Regina Miranda as Secretaries, Ms. Logan and Ms. Soso as timekeepers, and Ms. Chong as financial liaison). We reviewed the 2018-2019 budget and learned about the challenges, both material and budgetary, of our expansion to the second floor. We learned about the new teachers and heard how they are supported by the administration and mentored by existing PS 9 teachers. We discussed the problems PACC had at the start of the year and learned the reason it was not approved (before the charter school left, it had filed to host its own afterschool program in the same rooms PACC had planned to occupy on the second floor, and so the DOH believed two programs were occupying the same space, requiring an inspection, which failed to happen before school began – this has been rectified but PACC is still awaiting a DOH inspection). We discussed a proposal by the joint PTO/SLT Equity, Diversity, and Integration Committee to host an evening to discuss segregation in the NYC public schools and how this relates to PS 9 (the SLT endorsed this proposal, details forthcoming). Lastly, since the Silent Auction is a PS 9 (not PTO) fundraiser overseen by the SLT, representative Jesse Hendrich will act as the Silent Auction liaison to the PTO. These are just some highlights, more information to come!

The next SLT meeting will be Tuesday, October 30th, from 4pm to 6pm in the PS 9 Book Hive. If you are interested in having a topic discussed, please email Jesse at rev.smada@gmail.com or Charmaine Derrell-Jacob at cderrell@schools.nyc.gov. All agenda items must be submitted before the meeting begins.