

# Minutes for High School of Art and Design SLT • May 11th, 2017

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## Call to Order

The SLT meeting of A&D was held on 5/11/17 in Room 615. Meeting starting at 4:45 and it was presided over by Frieda Christofides as chairperson with Miguel Chavez taking minutes.

## Attendees

Voting members in attendance included: Manuel Ureña, Frieda Christofides, Jose Contreras, Miguel Chavez, Nelsa Boyer-Madison, Nanci Richards

Voting members not in attendance included: Rosalina Gonzalez, Jason Agosto, Evie Hantzopoulos, Khadijah Bowen, Brian Lee, Emily Nugent, Ashleigh Staton

Guests in attendance: Mr. Andrew Savage is the designee for Mr. Agosto

## Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the previous 4/11/17 meeting. Seconded and so it is approved.

## Bylaw Committee

- Quorum not met. So group decides to hold off formally approving new By laws. Meeting continues with no voting or major decisions being made.

## Principals Report

- Third Marking Period started-Discuss / review 2nd MP results
- Continued improvement shown - which translates into \$\$ savings due to less summer school, among other benefits of course.
- How they line up with state assessments... which has separate criteria. So even if our results in 2nd MP improve, state assessments might show otherwise.
- DEC-ILE - how are students broken down into subgroups: ethnicity, economic strata, IEP
- Nancy Richards - Four categories, targeted missed - vocabulary. Certain words not understood messed up kids ability to answer a question. Content, time management - kids finishing had issues. Make special note about large # of ELL's means hardship with vocabulary, content. Time management - kids don't get to finish the test! Need to do better managing time.
- Manny met w/ AP's, to review assessments and regents, - to see if school wide literacy initiative has been working - seeing upward trends. Still have to wait on the Regents. Standards are literacy based - must speak to college readiness. But we must develop strategies to augment those skills.
- Miguel: Reading contests? - Manny: Book clubs has been suggested.
  - Nanci: I try to encourage - if student ends test early, encouraged to go to 'library' and read something.

- Manny: Include books that are culturally relevant to student's backgrounds. Doesn't have to be 'classics' the content is malleable because common core alignments are not content-particular.
  - Nanci: AP History book list has incredible range of books that are amazing to have.
  - Frieda: Make wish list of books for parents to help purchase, etc.
  - Manny: Have to get materials for library bookcases, lists of books, etc over summer to get this ready for next year.
- Kids need to learn analysis, etc. ADVICE: increase books available to kids in all classes, etc. Encourage independent learning. "Library" in each classroom - filled with non-fiction books (aligned to common core), different reading levels.
  - Frieda - Parents would love to pay for books.
  - All advice and thoughts above as formalized will go to ACTION PLAN.

## CEP

- Re-written CEP goals reviewed. Manny had re-adjusted them based on past review and discussions at previous SLT meeting, etc.
- All members appear to approve.
- Frieda - Can't we break up into sub-committees and review components of this and return with results?
- Manny - Would be better to do as altogether because you want insight from all members - could be seen as wasted effort coming up with something, but then more experienced eyes will re-direct away.

## PTA

- Banner year, will review budget soon, looking at budget for \$20k, reviewed wish list request to all teachers during PD.
- Reviewed 80th year event, how welcome to see alumni from back in 60's, 70's, etc. UFT

## UFT

- has no matters of concerns to discuss.

## New Business:

- None

## Adjournment

Frieda Christofides moved that the meeting be adjourned, and this was agreed upon at 5:52.

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Secretary  
A&D SLT Meeting

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Date of Approval