**SLT Meeting Minutes**

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| **Date:** Wednesday, March 20, 2019  **Time:** 4:00 to 7:00pm  **Location:** Room 237 | |
| **Agenda:**   * Distribution/Review of February Minutes * Department Presentations Parent Engagement * Administrative Updates (Mr. Addo) * Additional Concerns/Questions * Reminders and Closing | **Attendees: Gabrielle Vernord, Luis Quinones, Kayla Marte, Kim Smith, Brookie Chandler, Christine Santiago, Shirley Paillant, Maguy Belizaire**  **Facilitator:** Kayla Marte (SLT Chair)  **Recorder:** Brookie Chandler |
| **Welcome**   * Reviewed Meeting Agenda and Last Meetings Minutes/Minutes approved | |
| Department Presentations –  **Ms. Gonzalez/Parent Engagement**  Keeping consistent and efficient communication between parents and staff.  New PA board and elections are coming. Thank You to Mrs. Vernard. Looking for more parents/family members who can engage in a partnership with Vista.  Parent coordinators requested that parents be sent to training to help support the work coordinators are doing in the school. They want to invest more in the parents. Looking at prepping a curriculum to start ESL classes for parents as well as GED classes.  Looking for sponsors to help put together a food pantry and it is currently a work in progress.  Dr. McBryde would like to start family events and there will be an event May 3, PS 346.  ON May 8 there will be a session of workshops for parents that will be a pre-show and the Vista Band will perform for the first time.  We have 2 scholars who have recently lost parents and two parents who are hospitalized. Would like Vista parents to reach out as a community.  Parent Surveys need to be completed and we are encouraging parents to complete the survey. | |
| **Administrative Updates**  We are recruiting for several positions. 8th grade ELA and Strategic Reading.  Mr. Gomariz (Spanish Teacher) is on a leave of absence effective today.  TFA shot a video of Vista Academy last week and the director would like to come next week.  Goal is to bring in more money into the building so that we can offer the scholars more.  We are looking for a donor company to help with the Brooklyn Conservatory  We are getting a lab for Robotics and Stem Lab. Applied for funds to create a hydroponic lab.  Reminder that Parent/Teacher conference is next Tuesday March 26, 2019 and the entire seventh grade will be on a trip to Columbia University on April 10th, 2019. | |
| Questions/Concerns  Social Studies class is still a concern for our Alumni Scholars and staff. We will discuss this matter in a Spring meeting, closer to the end of the school year.  Parents are still encouraged to join the SLT committee. Would like more parental support at SLT. | |
| Next Meeting is Wednesday, April 17, 2019 at 4pm. Meeting was adjourned at 4:42. Luis Quinones second that motion. | |