

Emerson Elementary
Shared Decision Making Committee
September 27, 2016

Welcome

- Call to order at ____ p.m.
- Members in attendance

Checking protocol

- Committee Members check in

Purpose of the meeting: Introduction, review and approval or edition of 2017-2018 School Improvement plan goals.

Approval of previous SDMC minutes

Formal introduction of the September SDMC Agenda

- I. Review of SIP goals
- II. Recommendations from members
- III. Vote
- IV. Next steps, Faculty approval vote process.
- V. Calendar for the year

Next Meeting date_____

The Meeting adjourned at_____

SDMC 9/27/17

Present: Alexander Rodriguez, Diarra Hartle, Maysoon Shahed, Marcela Moore, Liz Jara, Ann Johnson, Frank Schulte (Parent)

1. Check In: How are things going?
 - a. 5th: some challenges with struggling students but ok
 - b. 2nd: going well, Jara pleased with a change
2. School Report Card
 - a. Looking at data—no big surprises, know our challenges
 - b. Index 1: percentage of kids passing
 - i. Areas of focus: writing
 1. Need to commit as a school to the plan→ Lucy Calkins
 2. Using the ELPS in instruction to build language as Hispanic students are lowest group
 - c. Index 2: student progress
 - i. 4th and 5th grade students
 - ii. Growth in language
 - iii. Students need to meet their growth goals
 - d. Index 3: closing performance gaps
 - i. Reading and math
 - e. Index 4: post-secondary readiness
 - i. Kids that exceeded their growth
 - ii. Went up 17 index points
3. TELPAS
 - a. Goal is to push grade levels to be rated advanced high as the average for the grade levels
4. School Improvement Plan
 - a. Focus is to look on school improvement goals
 - b. Will be sent to board and SSO for approval
 - c. Focus on growth for school overall
 - d. Reading goals: focus on building English language skills especially in dual language groups
 - i. Literature circles
 - ii. Independent reading
 - iii. Phonics and phonemic awareness in all grades
 - iv. Teacher capacity for instructional planning
 - v. What about parents? How can we include parents in the picture?
 1. Do they know what questions to ask their kids? Could provide this as a resource
 - vi. Worried about running records and were having issues
 1. End of year running record vs. beginning of year running records
 2. Need to do a PLC on norming these procedures
 - e. Must include a strategy to include parents in the equation
 - f. Need to do at least a 3 percentage point growth—we have usually met our SIP goals

- g. Writing- biggest concern
 - i. Lucy Calkins Units of Writing (NEW change)
 - ii. Feedback and coaching in the areas of writing
 - iii. Teaching writing in context
 - iv. Goal is to grow 6 percentage points on STAAR writing
 - v. Assessment: using pre and post tests for units instead of snapshots in 2nd and 3rd grade
 - 1. Quizlet- see, hear and write the word→ can be on tablets, phones, computers
 - a. Vocabulary development tool→ Wordly wise words does have it
- h. Star- Index goal (student achievement)
- i. Differentiated instruction across the board
 - ii: intervention earlier in the year
 - iii: Goal is to grow 4 points 3-5
 - iv. intervention
 - 1. Mr. Dix will be doing intervention for upper grades in math.
 - 2. Mrs. Douglas will be doing intervention for upper grades in reading and writing.
- j. math (student achievement)
 - i. Goal is to grow by 5 percentage points on STAAR
- K. Higher Enrollment 2017-2018
 - i. 3 hourly positions created to supporting large class sizes in lower grades – vote- All

agreed.

Emerson Elementary SDMC 2017-2018 School Decision Making Committee

Lizbeth Jara		Classroom Teacher	
Noe Ortega		School-based Staff	
Ann Johnson-Bacot		School-based Staff	
Marcela Moore		Classroom Teacher	
Diarra Hartle		Classroom Teacher	
Maysoon Shahed		Classroom Teacher	
Crystal Evans		Classroom Teacher	
Alexis Linares		Parent	
Vilma Godinez		Parent	
Alexander S Rodriguez		Principal	
Frank Schulte-Ladbeck		Community Member	
Jean Ballard		Community Member	
Michael Carpenter		Business Member	
Danielle Sawaya		Non-Instructional Staff	
Peta Douglas		School Based Staff	
Number of Classroom Teachers	# 6	Number of Parents (at least 2)	# 2
Number of School-based Staff (Half the number of classroom teachers)	# 3	Number of Community Members (at least 2)	# 2
Number of Non-Instructional Staff	# 1	Number of Business Members	# 1

SDMC Meeting Calendar 2017-2018

1. Sept 27, 2017
2. November 29, 2017
3. January 30, 2018
4. April 26, 2018
5. May 26, 2018

All meetings start at 1:15 PM in the Main Office.