



## Pershing Middle School

### Shared Decision-Making Committee

#### Minutes

May 10, 2022

Meeting started at 4:15 p.m.

- I. Welcome & Introductions
  - a. Members Present: Dr. Steven Shetzer, Jessica Evans, Lotus Hoey, Claire Lorenz, Alison Moorhead, Christie Van den Bossche, Alberto Fernandez, Sara Graur.
- II. 2022-2023 Budget Update
  - a. Dr. Shetzer shared the 2022-2023 budget. The school's projected enrollment for 2022-2023 is 1350, which resulted in a \$300,000 loss in general funds. Dr. Shetzer was able to compensate for the loss of funds by closing positions vacated by employees retiring and/or resigning. Dr. Shetzer also discussed how three current Assistant Principals would move from 11 month to 12 month positions. This allows for more collaboration during the summer. A new 11 month Teacher Specialist, paid through Title I funds, will also be hired. A motion was made to approve the 2022-2023 Budget by Sara Graur. Christie Van den Bossche seconded. All members were in favor. The budget was approved.
- III. 2022-2023 Grading Policy
  - a. Dr. Shetzer shared the grading policy. No changes were made from the 2021-2022 Grading Policy. Claire Lorenz made a motion to approve the 2022-2023 Grading Policy and Alison Moorhead seconded. All members were in favor. The grading policy was approved.
- IV. 2022-2023 Dress Code
  - a. Dr. Shetzer shared the updated dress code for next year. Changes made to the dress code include the removal of Crocs as footwear and adding that sweatshirts had to have the Pershing logo and no hoods. Ms. Hoey asked that we include a picture of a red sweatshirt on the graphic dress code policy. All other dress code items remained the same from 2021-2022. A motion was made to accept the changes as discussed and approve the 2022-2023 Dress Code. Claire Lorenz seconded. All members were in favor. The dress code was approved.
- V. 2022-2023 Bell Schedule
  - a. Pershing will remain on block schedule for the 2022-2023 school year. Panda Day has been removed and students will follow an alternating A/B schedule for the entire year.

Dr. Shetzer discussed that a calendar will be provided with which day (A/B) each day will be and that no changes will be made to the calendar once it is published. An additional 20 minutes was added to the first period of the day to provide time for DEAR (Drop Everything and Read), late arrivals (including HISD buses), and breakfast. An extra 15 minutes was added to the last period of the day to compensate for athletes and fine arts performers who are often pulled early. A motion was made by Jessica Evans to approve the 2022-2023 bell schedule. Sara Gaur seconded. All members were in favor. The 2022-2023 bell schedule was approved.

Meeting ended at 5:30 p.m.