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SDMC Meeting

September 21, 2017

- I. Signatures of all present
- II. Introduction of all members
- III. School Data: STAAR Results and Rating
- IV. Last Year's Attendance: 96.6 %. This Year's Attendance 99.7%
- V. School Improvement Plan (SIP) review and approval
- VI. Professional Development:
2017-18- Writing: Gretchen Barnaby; SLC: Behavior in Autism Setting; Science:
Science RockSTAARS
- VII. Curriculum/Budget update: Focus 1: Literature- We purchased \$60,000.00 for
classroom libraries and math literature for our Guided Math Program
Created a Literacy Lab during Ancillary to focus on reading. This includes Imagine
Learning Program (Software Program \$32,000 and Hourly Staff Salary \$17,762.02)
Focus 2: Science- Created a Science Lab during Ancillary Schedule. Hourly Staff Salary
\$21,365.26; Science Training for 5th Teacher and Science Lab Teacher- Science
Training: Science RockSTAARS \$900.00
Focus 3: We will renew last year's programs which include Dreambox (\$3,500.00),
BookFlix (\$1,369.00) Reading A-Z,
- VIII. Upcoming Events
 - September 22 Fall Holiday – No School
 - September 28 PK-5th Grade Open House 4:00-6:00 PM
- IX. Open Discussion: Comments or concerns from committee
- X. Next Meeting: Friday, October 20, 2017 at 9:30 AM



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2016-2017 SDMC Campus Committee Representatives

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Name	Committee Representative	Signature	Date
Gloria Sifuentes	Classroom Teacher		
Linda Rocha	Classroom Teacher		
Alan Wilson	Classroom teacher		
Julio Dominguez	Classroom teacher		
Jana Lopez	Non-Instructional Staff		
Irma Torres	Non-Instructional Staff		
Juanita Juarez	Community member		
Rodriguez, Perla	Community member		
Frank Vasquez	Business Representative		
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Maria Gamboa	Parent		
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I. Signatures: Everyone present signed in.

II. Introduction of members: Everyone introduced themselves and were welcomed.

III. School Data: STAAR Results and Rating: Mr. Peña discussed the scores from last year. He said we did good, we got only one distinction. A lot of our schools around us did not get any stars. Due to our progress, we were able to received/retain our star. He said good recognition for our hard work. He talked about the index 1 we scored 74%. He compared scores from the year before, index 2 we were 44% and went to 49%, index 3 36% and jumped to 44%. Last one is postsecondary readiness last year we were at 22% and jumped to 33%. He broke it down by grade levels, passed out a handout. He goes by grade level and subject, he explained that we grew everywhere reading 4 points, math 14 pts, writing 18 and science 2 points. He passed out another handout explaining by grade level. He explained that third grade reading was 58%, Math 78%, 4th grade reading was 75%, Math 84%, Writing 75%, 5th grade reading 77%, Math 93%, and Science 60%. We still did good but we need to see where are we going. Reading 3rd and 4th grade need extra help.

IV. Attendance: One problem is our attendance, we need to do something, lost a salary of one teacher last year. Instead of doing only the end of the year field trip, we are going to do short term incentives, middle of the year and monthly. Teachers are also doing monthly. Ms. Rocha asked if we are still doing the bikes, Mr. Peña responded yes, the Rotary Club will still provide them. Mr. Wilson mentioned that they are doing incentives monthly. Ms. Perez and Mr. Peña passed out little treats to students weekly last year, and it seemed to have worked. We will continue this weekly incentive this school year.

V. School Improvement Plan (SIP): Mr. Peña passed out the SIP, the plan was reviewed. A comment was made about GT students to increase the number of our GT students. Ms. Perez mentioned that an email will be sent to teachers to get recommendations from them and parents to test students for GT. He mentioned on Page 5 the STAAR 2017 Results and 3rd Grade PEIMS. School Waivers on page 10 a lot are not being done since the Hurricane and late school start. Mr. Peña mentioned that one of the thing we are doing this year is starting a program that will cost 30K. The program Imagine Learning that will benefit all students' growth. We will continue PLC by groups. Mr. Peña stated that we are going to start doing Guided Math. Read



Aloud, etc. We are big believers in number talks, and we purchased the book Number Talks for all Math teachers. Vontoure costs us \$6500 but she charges \$20,000, we are still part of the cohort, she comes 10 times, if the cost stays the same we will continue, if not we will not be part of it. The power to this is that teachers get to collaborate, they get to plan a whole month of lesson plans. This is what I will do next year, give teachers a day to plan and prepare a whole month lessons. Something we can look at. Next page we now have a Science teacher, rock stars they will go to that. He asked if anyone had any questions, no one had any questions. He continued on page 18 for attendance weekly rewards. He said he needs teachers' help to let him know if there is a pattern. Page 19 discipline, what we did last year was very successful, people tell me, it has changed, we will continue with community circles. And now we have a counselor, we will continue what we did last year, he mentioned we have 3 SLC classes and each teacher has 2 assistant teachers, trying to get another one so each classroom has two teacher assistants, because they really need to have more bodies to help. Page 20 Improve safety, talks about bullying, child abuse, the percent was 85 we want to increase to 90%. Page 21 Parent Involvement, we used to do the APTT we are not doing it anymore we will go to the traditional parent conferences. We will have the literacy night, math night, and science night. Mr. Peña said he is a strong believer that and wants more parents to come volunteers. He said during some Coffee with the Principals, parents said they wanted to have computer classes, will work on that to have some for the parents. We need to get more GT students, Ms. LeCroy does the inclusion, so she goes to the classrooms to work with the students. Page 26 Special funding goals, what strategies to retain strong teachers, professional developments, monthly meetings, books studies, three books this year. He said he is a strong believer in getting teachers' input, he does not do anything alone, he asked the teachers, teachers agreed. The next section is the nurse's information which pretty much is the same. He asked now, do we all agree with this plan? Everyone was in agreement.

VI. Professional Development: Mr. Peña mentioned that Mr. Dominguez and Ms. Perez will attend the Gretchen Barnaby writing training which he says seemed to have worked last year. Our SLC teachers attend Behavior in Autism Setting, and our Science and Lab Teachers will attend the Science Rock STAARS.

VII. Curriculum/Budget update: Focus 1: is Literature, we have purchased books for every teacher's classroom libraries, for both literacy and for our Guided Math Program. Spent about \$60,000. We created a Literacy Lab during our ancillary which will focus on reading. This lab will work on the Imagine Learning Program, which costed \$32,000 for the software and \$17,762.02 for our hourly staff. Focus 2: Science – We have created a Science Lab during ancillary. Our hourly staff is \$21,265.52 and the Science training (Science RockSTAARS) for both the 5th grade



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Science Teacher and Science Lab Teacher will cost \$900. We had some student do College visitations last year, 4th grade went to UT, another grade level went to Rice, and we would like to continue this school year.

VIII. Upcoming Events: Tomorrow, September 22, is our Fall Holiday. Next event is on September 28, we will have the PK-5th Open House.

IX. Open Discussions. Mr. Peña asked Ms. Rocha if she wanted to discuss her question, she said why are we low? Mr. Peña said the entire district is low. The magnet schools have more kids now because of the hurricane, we are at 391 now because they are not approving transfers. We are a HUB school, so we might have more students coming. Ms. Rodriguez mentioned that she can help some of the families that need help after the hurricane. She told Ms. Lopez to email her to let her know which families need help.

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Meeting was adjourned at 10:25 am.



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