



## SDMC Agenda May 1, 2017 EXCELLENCE & EQUITY

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll Call Establish Quorum

1. HB5 Self-Evaluation

Simpson, Y. Chen, M. Liu, Dr. Penn, Ms. Lim, H. Liu, Chang, Garcia, C. Lin (5:02)

- III. Adoption of Agenda
- Simpson second the adoption of agenda IV. Approval of Minutes – April 3, 2017
  - Will be reviewed in the next SDMC
- V. Agenda Items

## **SDMC Meeting Norm**

- Be on Time
- Be Efficient (1 hr)
- Stay on Topic
- Mutual Respect
- Be Transparent

Each category and item was reviewed. More evidences will be provided by Simpson, M. Liu, and Ms. Lim.

- Incoming Student Make-up See attachment. 6<sup>th</sup> grade includes beginning immersion program. Plan to promote our program so that HISD can have another MIMS (PK-5) to support our number in immersion. Recommendation for recruiting in area elementary schools in the new school year.
- 3. Safety Council Meeting
  - a. Fire Drill: Primary Route on April 24, 2017
  - b. Obstructed Exit

Everyone was out within 3 minutes.

VI. Teacher Representative (sharing thoughts and comments from teachers)

Ms. Y. Chen brought up concerning regarding tutoring-pickup. Teachers waited for parents to pick up students after tutoring for up to an hour. We cannot drop them because we need them to perform. Same issue happens in UIL or academic competition.

Suggestion 1: charge parents \$1 per minute

Suggestion 2: frequent communication and have students remind parents on the day of tutoring Suggestion 3: require weekly acknowledgement from parents

VII. Parent Representative (sharing thoughts and comments from parents)

Ms. Angie Chen brought up concerns regarding homework. (file attached)

Chang: Teachers determine required or optional homework. Teachers will also determine if a specific student required additional practice. Timing is hard to decide. However, homework should be addressed between teachers and parents.

Dr. Penn: Homework expectation is different between teams in the same grade level.

Chang: Homework connects to the instruction in the classroom.

Ms. Lim: Due dates are different within the same grade level.

H. Liu: What is the purpose if the students are in the same team.

Ms. Lim: How are the classes determined?

Chang: Message was posted on Living Tree last May. It will be posted it again. We consider different factors (including gender, ethnicity, GT, SpEd, 504, Mandarin Proficiency, English



reading level, behavior concerns, not getting along with others, current homeroom teacher). The pastor randomly assigns one of the four class lists to a teacher. The only switch will be for new-to-MIMS students within the first 3 weeks of school.

Dr. Penn: Calendar for annual activities. Ms. Lim: Yes. This is PTO's summer goal.

Dr. Penn: How is the building going? Chang: We are still working with HISD project manager. VIII. Open Forum IX. Proposal for next meeting: August 21, 2017 VII. Adjourn