



Mandarin Immersion Magnet School

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SDMC Agenda May 7, 2018 SUPPORT EVERY CHILD

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll Call – Establish Quorum; 8 members present
- III. Adoption of Agenda
- IV. Approval of Minutes – April 9, 2018
- V. Agenda Items

1. Teacher Assignments:

- a. Mrs. Chen will be moved to 3rd grade next year.
- b. Grades 3-5 will do 4 rotations. CLA/Science, Mandarin Math, SS/Writing, Eng/Writing

2. SDMC Teacher Representatives

- a. Y. Chen, Simpson are up for re-election. Both are willing to stay on.

3. Club/UII Classroom Usage Request Form

- a. Go over form and club sponsor responsibilities.
- b. Try to have PTO host a CPR certification day.
- c. All club trips will be unexcused absences for students and teachers next year.

4. Grading Policy Update (Chinese HFWE & Math)

- a. For math: weekly independent/daily grade (30%) and assessment (70%).
- b. For Chinese: Chinese HFWE will become a reading grade (~10-15%) – assessment done by Ms. Huang. Oral grade: will be added to grades 2+ (~10-15%).

5. Field Trip Funds: \$50/classroom or homeroom teacher

- a. Number of field trips mandatory is reduced to 1 per year.

6. Updates on Budget and Magnet

- a. Magnet process: no changes.
- b. We will have full time nurse and full time social worker. New MS enrichment teacher – 6th grade technology, 7th grade creative writing, 8th grade journalism and yearbook.
- c. Elem. School will have another rotation: Library, in addition to PE, Tech, Art. You can opt out of Art for Suzuki.
- d. Middle school teachers will have planning time every day, 90 minutes.
- e. Teacher specialist for mandarin math for all grade levels, does not teach a class, but will evaluate teachers.

7. Middle School

- a. Dismissal & Arrival Procedure Follow-up

SDMC Meeting Norm

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



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- i. Based on recent observations, new arrival process going well. Parents and students like new procedures for arrival and dismissal.
- b. Immersion VS Beginning-Immersion Class Assignment
 - i. 80 students in 8th grade right now. 70 returning.
 - ii. About 40 for new beginning immersion next year.
 - iii. We will have some 7th grade beginning immersion students.
 - iv. Transfer option to beginning-immersion track is approved by SDMC vote unanimously.
 - 1. Language screener, teacher recommendation based on proficiency level, and parent choice will be used to transfer 5th grade immersion student to enter beginning immersion in middle school.
 - 2. Same for 6th graders – based on language screener, teacher recommendation and parent choice, students may transfer to beginning immersion at the beginning of the 7th grade year.
- c. High School Credits – parents want IPC (Integrated Physics and Chemistry).
 - i. The library teacher may not see K or PreK, and may be able to support IPC teacher. IPC teacher will teach both IPC and Science 8 Pre-AP and will switch back and forth between the two classes. Currently, we are not approved for IPC from the district.
 - ii. Beginning immersion students will still leave with 1 high school credit course. 7th grade: Chinese 1A, 8th grade: Chinese 1B. One high school credit learned over 2 years.
 - iii. Advance immersion will leave with 2 high school credit courses: 7th grade: Chinese 1. 8th grade: Chinese 2.
- 8. Awards Ceremony for 2018-2019
 - a. Grades: K, 5, 8 – big class ceremony.
 - b. Other grades – small in class celebration.
- 9. CIASP Review: Sylvia
 - a. How much money has come back to MIMS from after school programs? Total \$91,000 profit, after all vendors have been paid.
 - b. Where does the money go? Funds go to school activity funds (not general funds).
 - c. What percentage of the funds are going back to the school? MIMS after school program collects \$453,000 a year, so approximately 20% is going back to the school activity funds.
 - d. This year: Students enrolled in full time+ cost \$2270, \$13/day until 6:30.
 - e. Cost for spring 2014, full time+ it was \$1100; this semester, \$1085.
 - f. What has the profit money been paying for? Activity funds mostly go to teacher overtime and Ms. McClenny. Better Chinese Textbooks, trophies, \$50 reimbursements.



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\$4000 last year and this year for staff events from principal discretion account (total amount available at principal discretion \$1200).

g. All vendors must be an HISD approved vendor.

10. Summer PD: Cultural Awareness Training

- a. Contact from Dr. Penn met one time with Mr. Chang, with confirmation to provide training.
- b. District will also do a training at staff meeting.

11. Review Safety Council Meeting Minutes

- a. Fire Drill on April 23, 2018 (unobstructed) – first time using walkie talkie, drill went well.
- b. Lock Down Drill on April 30, 2018 – with unannounced intruder– passed.
- c. Practice drills will need to be done after school. Need clarification on what to do for after school lock down drills.

12. Lunch: Next year, there will be a designated 1 day per week (i.e. Friday) for parents to visit their child during lunch.

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

- a. No apple test (language proficiency)

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

- a. Will HISD provide more police security with greater middle school population. We don't have the budget for it.
- b. Great job 5th grade for continuing to do 6th grade work after STAAR.
- c. What is followed after being placed on a growth plan? Meeting with magnet coordinator and teachers about areas of struggle and support plan and goals. Magnet expectation is 75, so they can be on a GP if they are below 75. For middle school CLA and Mandarin Math is 80.
- d. Parents can request GPC-Grade Placement Committee.
- e. Lockers: lack of wall space.
- f. Mrs. Nicols: in charge of coordinating TA and hosting a Chinese teacher.

VIII. Open Forum

IX. Proposal for next meetings:

August 20, 2018

September 17, 2018

October 1, 2018

November 5, 2018

December 3, 2018

January 7, 2019

February 4, 2019



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March 4, 2019

April 1, 2019

May 6, 2019

VII. Adjourn