

**Edgar Allan Poe Elementary**  
**SDMC Meeting Minutes**  
**January 27, 2022**

SDMC members present were Jeff Amerson, Marilena Marroquin, Jennifer Perry, Andrea Crump, Tyler Truax, Kayla Reardon, Jamie Hayden, Bianca Alvarez, Jennifer Meadows, Sharon d'Amico

**1. Review of progress toward SIP Goals**

Mr. Amerson explained the process of monitoring progress toward SIP goals. There are 5 goals from the School Board and then Poe has goals to support those. Under each goal are measurable objectives. Using data from the DLAs, Mr. Amerson showed how the students are scoring at the 2<sup>nd</sup> checkpoint of the year. Teachers brought up concerns that the assessments are not completely aligned with what we have taught or some felt the assessments were not good. It was suggested the data may not be quite accurate. Mr. Amerson said if the data we have is not accurate or does not guide our path then we need to rethink the data we are using.

An area of concern that was highlighted was progress amongst bilingual students. 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade students are significantly below the goal for this time of year. Mr. Amerson and Mrs. Marroquin will work with the bilingual teachers to ensure teaching is aligned to the standards with the understanding the children have come in this year with a solid base in instruction last year. The class sizes are small in 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade bilingual so individualizing for the students seems like a task that can be accomplished. Other targeted subpopulations are showing growth.

J. Perry, PTO president, asked about students who may fall under more than one subpopulation and it was explained that students can belong to more than one reporting category.

**2. Discussion of Valentine's Day parties**

Due to the Omicron variant, there will be no parties with food or parents. Kids can exchange Valentine's Day cards and teachers will have activities but the school is mitigating the spread of the virus.

**3. Meeting students' needs**

Mr. Amerson explained to parents and the committee the need for the additional 30 hours of instruction for students who did not pass STAAR and also the additional weekly time for students in Tiers 2 and Tier 3. Teachers are struggling to find the time yet it is required. Mr. Amerson is concerned that our time during the day and tutorials along with Saturday school and Spring Break Camp may not be enough. Teachers are working hard so he wants everyone to come up with creative solutions that will reach our students while also supporting our teachers. He is very concerned with not losing teachers.