

# SDMC Meeting 2-11-2021

Meeting Start Time: 3:15 PM

Meeting End Time: 3:35 PM

**Meeting Members Present: Principal:** John Hendrickson, **Teachers:** Veronica Trevino-Ruiz, Sammi Sicinski, Anna Rath attending on behalf of Melody Barroga **Librarian:** Pamela Esquivel, **Parents:** Alison Dei, Courtney Harmon

## **SDMC:**

The purpose of the SDMC (Shared Decision-Making Committee) is to provide consultation on all school matters and determine staff development. November meeting minutes were read and approved by committee members in attendance.

- I. Welcome: Mr. Hendrickson welcomed committee members.
  - State of the School Update: We have begun the second semester of the school year and everything has been going well. Currently, 53% of our students have returned to face-to-face learning and 47% remain virtual learners. Ms. Ortiz's second grade classroom has had to relocate to the library due to her face-to-face numbers growing. This move was done to maintain safety guidelines for social distancing. Despite the challenges this year has presented, staff, faculty, parents, and community members have been handling it all very well. Mr. Hendrickson thanked all the stakeholders for doing their part to keep up the good work and morale.
  - So far this year the campus has had 6 positive cases of COVID reported (5 students and 1 employee); we have had 7 presumed cases (all students). There were 49 individuals placed on quarantine since January 4<sup>th</sup> (40 students and 9 employees). Mr. Hendrickson noted that these numbers are quite good considering the rise of the positivity rate in Harris County overall. Employees may request COVID-19 rapid testing from Nurse Waddy twice a month if they have no symptoms. Student testing may be performed with consent from parent/ guardian if they have no symptoms. One person on staff had a reaction to receiving the COVID vaccine. They are expected to return to campus shortly.

- Budget Update: The campus is doing well with the current budget. We have the funds to provide the required resources for this year. Next year's budget will be tight due to state funds being cut. Staff and faculty are being thoughtful about ways to conserve funds and materials for next year.

II. PTO Report: Mrs. Dei stood in for Mrs. Dvoretzky at the meeting.

- Fundraising Update: Mrs. Dei reported that the cookie decorating fundraiser concluded today and sold over 80 kits. Pick up and delivery of these items will take place this weekend. Funds raised will be allocated towards beautification of the playground on the corner of Studewood and 17<sup>th</sup> Street. The area is prone to mud and therefore requires some renovation. A plan has been developed for this renovation.
- A spring workday is being planned soon. PTO members will work on maintenance of the soccer field: including adding sand and refinishing the deck seating areas.
- Ms. Dei inquired about the school purchasing a PA/sound system or microphone and amplifier for use by HITS in the cafeteria. It would benefit all ancillary teachers that use that space since the acoustics in the room are poor. Mr. Hendrickson said that it can be purchased, but it may take a while for procurement. Mrs. Trevino reported that she had a device that would work in the interim that she will bring to campus.
- A request was made to add PTO meeting dates and times with a Zoom call link to the Field website. This would help families in the community have better access to Field information. Mr. Hendrickson said he would check with the district to make sure it would be allowed.

Q&A:

No further questions or concerns were noted.

III. Closure: Mr. Hendrickson adjourned the meeting at 3:35PM