

SDMC

January 13, 2020

Minutes

- Sign-in sheet reflects that ## of the fifteen members were not present.
- Discussion of AP Training: Teachers attend Friday, January 17 for the early dismissal professional development. Students attend Saturday, January 25th.
- 2 hours of planning for content outside of school hours with pay a possibility. There is a preference for after-school hours as opposed to a Saturday.
- New budget was released, but the new money will not be released until January 24. We hired a 2nd SRC teacher, two new English teachers and a new Science teacher, but we need two math teachers and a co-teacher. If there are needs in a department, there is funds to make purchases.
- We had 3 officers on campus, but we are now down to 1.
- Camps have been poorly attended and potential solutions were discussed (incentives, extra credit, door prizes, "field trip" or culminating activity at the end of the final day)
- Most teachers stated that they preferred the 7-period day instead of the 8-period day. There are less discipline issues, more engagement, etc. There are some issues with students choosing academic classes over athletics, less time for practicums and labs, less margins of error for students that aren't passing their classes. We will opt into the early start time next year but may be denied like we were last year.
- Shortage of teachers across the district, which trickles down to substitutes. We haven't been able to send teachers to professional development for this reason.
- What can we do to get all teachers on board with the hoodie, phone, earbud policies?