



E. A. "Squatty" Lyons Elementary

School Decision Making Committee



September 22, 2022

The 1st quarter meeting of the 2022-2023 SDMC was held on Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 3:30pm. Members present included:

- Olivia Casares
- Maria Acosta
- Nestor Londono
- Kasandra Martinez
- Miguel Diaz
- Xaneth Hernandez
- Vicente Martinez-Gonzalez
- Patricia Chavarria
- Ma Angeles Leibig
- Constance White (SPED REP)

The meeting was called to order by Principal Olivia Casares. Business discussed:

TOPICS:

WELCOME

- Review Agenda
- Welcome New Member. Discuss Roles and Responsibilities.

Enrollment and Attendance Goals

- **Enrollment-** The current enrollment is 852
- **Attendance Goals-** Attendance went down to 96.5 and last year we ended up with 92%. The principal discussed the trend of our attendance. She presented the \$26,583 as the amount of money that we have lost because of attendance. It impacts learning and student achievement.

Campus Ratings

- We are a B campus. We did phenomenal in growth, but not in student achievement. The only distinction that we received was in science.

School Improvement Plan

2022-23 School Improvement Plan was reviewed by the committee on Plan4Learning. We created goals that are aligned to the 5 HISD Board goals. Each goal has 3 strategies. Do we approve the SIP? Answer: YES

Budget 2022-23

- **Budget-** Budget is tied to our enrollment. We can only purchase items from approved HISD vendors. To support our SIP, we discussed purchasing resources for reading, math, and science instruction. In addition, we also purchased materials to meet the needs of our bilingual students. Does the committee agree to purchase materials and resources with this year's budget? Answer: YES
- **Intervention (Reading/Math)-** We need an intervention system to support our tier 2 and tier 3 students. HISD purchased Freckle last year, however, it was not offered this

year. We would like to continue to use this system. The quote is for \$8,000 with a \$3,000 discount. Does the committee approve this purchase? Answer: YES

- **Science/Math/Reading Resources-** We have purchased Edusmart, IXL, and Accelerated Reading. We currently have subscription for Edusmart and IXL that will end before the year. We will evaluate these 2 subscriptions before renewing. Currently, we want to purchase an Accelerated Reading subscription. Ms. Casares indicated that she wants to start with 3RD grade. Do you agree with this purchase for 3rd grade only? Answer: YES
- **Grants-** Lyons has applied for the CASE grant for the last 3 years. This year we applied, and we were granted 20,000. Ms. Casares explained how the school uses this money to fund the after-school program. We are applying for Art Connect to fund our Fine Arts Program. These funds support our band program. Do we agree to apply for Art Connect Grant? Answer: YES
- **ESSER Funds-**We are using our ESSER funds to pay for tutorials, resources, and pay for our Academic Tutors that are serving our students. Do we continue to use these funds to pay for these resources? Answer: Yes.
- **New Hires-**We need a clerical position to cover the front desk. Does committee agree? Answer: Yes.
- **Members voted 9:0 in favor of all approval topics discussed during the SDMC meeting.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Mr. Nestor Londono.