McNamara Elementary School



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McNamara Elementary Shared Decision-Making Committee Minutes October 10, 2024 3:10 PM – 3:45 PM

Members Present:

Toufic Elachkar – Principal, Chairperson Bessie Carroll – Non-Instructional Staff Carol Appelbaum – Community Representative Carla Thomas – Classroom Teacher

Members Absent:

Traci Warren – Professional Staff (– SPED Representative) Martina Berrios – Parent Sandra Alvarado-Parent

Agenda Item:

I. Data & Improvement Plans

Principal Elachkar shared data results from last year: NWEA
 Progress made, STAAR data and push for improvement in Meets
 & Masters, and plans for growth in reading and English for EB students.

II. Bond Information

 Principal Elachkar shared information regarding bond initiatives and upgrades if the bond proposal is passed.

- There will be no tax increase. Passing the bond will allow HISD to access \$4.4 billion.
- Safety upgrades will include police officers for campuses and school entryway security updates.
- Campuses will receive "future ready" (technology) upgrades.
- Lead abatement for campuses where it is needed.
- McNamara ES would receive a full rebuild and expansion.
- Principal Elachkar emphasized that, as HISD employees, we are not allowed to advocate but we can educate stating facts only.

III. SDMC Elections

- Elections for school years 2024-2025 through 2025-2026 have been held.
- New SDMC members will meet for the first time on Dec. 5, 2024.