

Minutes of the SDMC Quarterly Meeting # 1

Date: Wednesday October 9th, 2024

Present:

1. Mrs. Bojourne
2. Mr. Bastidas
3. Mrs. Beltran
4. Mrs. Pickney
5. Dr. Barksdale
6. Ms. Novelo
7. Mr. Lopez

1.0 Welcome & Ice- Breaker

- The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m.
- The principal, Mr. Lopez, welcomed the SDMC members to the first quarterly meeting for the school year 2024-2025. Icebreaker: What is one key priority or change you believe will have the greatest impact on our school community this year?
- SDMC members shared their responses: Components of NES campus, high quality Tier 1 instruction, ensuring students are supported, administrators coaching teachers, efficiency in lesson activities and time management.

2.0 Celebrations

- Teachers of the Month were recognized at the end of August and September: Ms. Jimenez (Math teacher) & Ms. Alvarez (Reading and AOT teacher) were the recipients of the Excellence in Teaching Award.
- Open House was held on September 16th, 2024 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. 75 families visited Navarro Middle School and participated in various activities using the NES model of teaching. Parents who attended received a free NMS shirt.
- An increase in lesson completion in Zearn across grade levels is evident. . 6th grade increased from 1,350 to 2,658, 7th grade- 746 to 1,501 and 8th grade – 636 to 1,348. Teachers are now tracking lesson completion during Zearn time.
- Teacher Workshops have been held on campus on Multiple Response Strategies, Lesson Delivery and on October 15th, 2024 teachers will be invited to attend a workshop on Strategic Seating facilitated by the Campus ELDs.

- Learning coaches have taken ownership of their team centers by setting student expectations and clear rules for completion of enrichment activities. The 6th Grade Learning Center was highlighted as an exemplary team center by the school district personnel during their visit.
- Dyad Student Travel-On Thursday October 10th, 2024 ,a Kick off Celebration will be held to recognize eligible students. 7th grade students will travel to Washington, D.C and 8th grade students will travel to Panama, tentatively during the month of May or June. Parent information sessions regarding student travel will be held on October 17, 2024 from 5:00 to 6:00p.m.
- NMS Leopard Market continues to operate, and future distribution dates are October 22nd, November 5th, November 19th, December 3rd, and December 17th, 2024. NMS Leopard market had become a very important area for distribution and will continue to serve the Eastend residents. The logistics and work plan at NMS is currently being replicated in other campuses for more families to benefit from this initiative. Ms. Bojourne indicated that additional assistance for groceries can be provided during the week. November 12th, 2024 is the scheduled date to recognize the community leaders and Navarro students who volunteers their time and effort to assist at the Leopard Market.

3.0 Calendar of Events

- A monthly calendar of events is prepared and distributed to teacher and parents. Tutorials are scheduled to commence on October 14th, 2024 form 4:45p.m. to 5:30 p.m. On Mondays, Math tutorials will be held across grade levels. Reading Tutorials will be held on Tuesdays and Science tutorials will be held on Wednesdays. Students will be recommended for tutorials based on the NWEA map assessment scores.
- Math & Science Spooky Night will be held on October 30th, 2023 from 5:00 to 6:00p.m. The Math Department will have games, costume competitions, and prizes. Other content teachers will be expected to support this school event.

4.0 HISD Bond Proposal

The bond proposal, which includes plans for numerous HISD schools, has a projected investment of \$12,180,000.00 for Navarro Middle School. These funds will be used to address safety needs, security upgrades, HVAC improvements and lead abatement.

5.0 School Ratings

- The release of scores last year were withheld due to litigation concerns and the use of AI to score responses. Previously, NMS was at 66 and rated a D campus.

This school year NMS was at 68. Despite core content teacher resignations, the scores did not regress and the campus ratings grew by 2 points.

6.0 NMS Health Checks

- 3 school visits have indicated NMS is performing relatively well in relation to the NMS school model. Areas of improvement include: Voice level 0 in hallways, students in a straight line in hallways, materials in student desks, and Zoom links working in every classroom.

The next SDMC quarterly meeting is scheduled for December 18th 2024 at Navarro Middle School Conference room from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.