Ortiz Middle School



Magnet for the Performing and Visual Arts Daniel Ortiz, Jr. Middle School

SDMC Meeting August 25, 2021 4:15 p.m. Ortiz Library



Minutes

Ms. Martinez opened the meeting at approximately 4:20 pm. Ms. Martinez welcomed the members for their commitment to the committee and explained the purpose of responsibilities of being a member of the SDMC. Ms. Martinez stated that our current low enrollment may lead to asking the committee to make decisions that impact our school budget.

Ms. Martinez explained the funds that we may be receiving through ESSR and that a meeting may be called once the funds are received to create a plan to address the 30 hours of instruction required by HB 4545. Ms. Martinez clarified that HB4545 requires we provide support in STAAR skills. The Rtl interventions we have in place during Eagle Time are based on addressing skill deficits. We have approximately 250 students that need the 30 hours of additional instruction. In the past, teacher have not signed up to help with tutorials at the level we will be needing this school year, which is one of the reasons we are looking into a tutoring company. One quote received was for \$60,000.

Ms. Martinez began the review of the campus School Improvement Plan (SIP) by reading the Board Goals and the strategies the school will implement to support those goals. Ms. Martinez outlined the goals and strategies for Reading, Math, and Science. The goals for Social Studies were not included but discussed. No issues were brought forth by the committee. The SIP was approved for submission to the district.

Other Issues/Concerns brought forth by the committee included students using the back stairs instead of exiting the hallway through the front doors. Ms. Martinez stated that the only students using the back stairs should be the students going to their Spanish class upstairs. All others needed to be directed to the front of the hallway. Ms. Martinez also noted that once all teachers were on board, the aides that are currently covering classes will be available to help monitor the halls.

Regarding the 30 hours of required instruction mandated by HB4545, the question was asked if there will be consequence for parents who do not bring their children to Saturday tutorials. Ms. Martinez stated administration would investigate the issue.

No other issues were brought forth from the committee.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.