J. P. Henderson Elementary

SDMC Minutes

October 26, 2017

**Opening: SDMC meeting began at 3:35 p.m. Members that were in attendance: Ms. Perez Teacher, Mrs. Martinez Teacher, Mr. Beard Teacher, Mrs. Marroquin Parent, Mrs. Claudia Florez Assistant Principal, Mrs. Barrientos Principal, and Mrs. Garcia Parent.**

**Today in the meeting the following items were discussed: Student Safety and Supervision, Student Uniforms, Fall Festival and any questions or comments.**

**Item 1: Student Safety and Security encompasses several factors and in essence, it is everyone responsibility from the school administration to teachers and to parents. Ms. Barrientos wanted to get some ideas from the parents’ perspective and from the teacher’s perspective as to how we can keep student safe. Ideas that were shared from the teachers were to consistently go over rules, always keep supervise students (recess, restroom, ancillary classes, cafeteria, etc.) have consequences for those students who do not follow the rules. From the parent’s perspective have meetings with the parents of those students who are defiant and have the school offer some community education classes were several topics can be covered.**

**Item 2: Students go back to wearing school uniforms in January. After Hurricane Harvey, the Superintendent- Mr. Carranza informed the HISD community that because of the hurricane the dress code would be relaxed for those who were affected and that schools would begin to reinforce the uniforms in January 2018. The SDMC team thinks that it will be difficult to get parents to follow dress code. Ms. Barrientos stated that in our community there were only a handful of families that were affected, and those families received school shirts and jeans to assist them, however the staff and administration has noticed that some families who have not been affected are currently not following the dress code and might be taking advantage of the situation. Ms. Barrientos mentioned that letters would be sent out in November to start reminding parents that dress code goes back into effect in January 2018.**

**Item 3: The Fall Festival will be this week and we have made some changes. Teachers will not be responsible for being at a booth instead they will remain with their students at all time. A schedule has been created as to who is responsible for each booth. Letters have been sent home reminding parents about the costumes students may and may not wear.**

**Closures: Ms. Barrientos mentioned that she was listening to everyone very closely and reminded the committee that she has an open-door policy, and everyone is welcome to stop by with ideas or if they have any questions. Meeting was adjourned at 4:26 p.m.**