

SDMC

May 9, 2017

Agenda

The Houston Independent School District (HISD) Board of Education established and approved the campus-level planning and decision making process in 1992. This process includes the creation and maintenance of a Shared Decision Making Committee (SDMC) at each school to review the district's educational goals, objectives, and major district wide classroom instructional programs. The SDMC must be *involved in decisions related to* areas specified by the Texas Education Code. The code states that the SDMC will be involved in decisions in the areas of *planning, budgeting, curriculum, staffing patterns, staff development, and school organization.*

Areas SDMC we will discuss as an advisory to the Principal... but not limited to....

Planning

Master Schedule changes for 2017-18

Budget

New positions next year

Curriculum

Summer School

Staffing Patterns

Professional Development

Summer Training for staff (150)

School Organization

Other/Questions

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Planning

- Master Schedule changes – US History – will we hire another teacher? Closing Journalism and will put those classes in art. New art teacher will be hired. Closed Riley. Hire a TA for hallway work and working outside on NGA. New positions – auto tech in CATE department, considered adding HVAC but facilities are not available now. Considering also cosmetology which is hard to staff and maintain. Other positions are through achieve 180 – maybe a specialist or counselor and librarian and nurse.
- Adding AP Psychology if kids pick it.
- AP classes need to be added and trying to make sure the kids that need it can be in there.

Budget

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Curriculum

- Summer school staff decisions – traditional vs. camps for staff. Need to see test scores and grades to determine numbers for students.
- Not all can be in camps. Freshman need traditional summer school.
- 5th 6 weeks failures – we have a high failure rate. Idea of summer school is to get kids caught up. New laws for ELA so kids have to pass English 1, 2, 3.
- Will we offer English 4A and 4B in the spring? We can restructure camps in order to get kids to pass. Kids need a pre-test – 10 to 20 questions to react to the group. Writing samples and other help for STAAR. Kids that failed STAAR have to attend traditional summer school class and will have to test in June.
- Location will be 600s to 700s due to construction.
- Where will the testing room be?

Building

- New fine arts wing will be managed by principal and PAT.
- Shutting down the b and c wing over the summer.

Professional Development

- Summer training – teachers need 150 hours over 5 years. PD over the summer. Need to pay for it now before the new budget.

School Organization

- Need duty changes to get staff support before school. Students going to the store. Admin at store and preventing kids from going there.
- Students fighting. Fight on the bus and driver did not do something. Driver did not report it so kids had another fight.
- Parking questions – students getting crack down on parking lot due to construction. Lost spots at the front and side of building.

Comments/Questions

- Vote on HISD proposition was approved.
- Field trips – students failing going on field trips. Choir and band field trips with no notice. School policy for AP students not eligible to play. That will have to be added to the handbook.
- Need more pre-planning for field trips.
- Clear backpacks and sweatshirts for next year. No hoodies at school.
- Mrs. Simmons in the new treasurer and she will get pricing for jackets.