

# SDMC

April 12, 2016

## 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 for 2016-2017  
Two planning period – part or all  
Two lunch periods

### Budget

- School Board and Budget

### Staffing Patterns

- Cut One Math and One English
- Staff that works with our entire school community

### Professional Development

- Looking at Summer PD and August PD
- AP mandatory PD
- GT PD

### School Organization

### Other/Questions

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## **Minutes**

- **Master Schedule for 2016-2017**

We plan to try and include two planning period where possible next year. We definitely want to have a planning period each day for the core content teachers who have STAAR tested content classes. We are still waiting for the full budget release from the board.

We will probably plan to have two lunch periods.

We are considering block schedule for the entire week. When we have all 8 periods (like Monday's) use 48 minutes just with passing classes. On block schedule days we only spend 24 minutes in the hallways.

- **School Board and Budget** – I am not sure if the board decide on the budget in April or the first of May; but I hope it is soon.
- **There is a possibility that we could cut one Math and/or one English position next year.** We are seeing a pattern of students who repeat classes (like Algebra A or B, Biology, etc) and do not pass on the second or third attempt. It may be better to NOT offer trailer classes and to offer credit recovery classes instead.
- **Looking at Summer PD and August PD.** It was suggested that we consider PD on Classroom Management and on how to work with students who are failing.
- **Each summer Rice University offers AP classes that are usually mandatory**
- **Teachers who have not completed their 30 hours of GT must do so over the summer.**
- **We will be hiring a new Football Coach in the next week or two.**