First SMDC Meeting

Date: 9-12-22  
Time Started: 3:32 PM  
Venue: Virtual

Members Present:

1. Saenz, L  
2. Quinones, E.  
3. Nicklaus, C.  
4. Adams, A.  
5. Amador, D.  
6. BoschBenitez, E.  
7. Cervantes, G.  
8. Locke, MK  
9. Martinez, A.  
10. Nicklaus, C.  
11. Ortega, M.  
12. Rocha, Monica  
13. Smooth, B.  
14. VazquezMuniz, N.  
15. Garcia, Anne

Agenda:

I. Greetings & Introductions -  
II. Celebrations

Curriculum and Instruction

I. 2022-2023 Accountability Ratings  
II. School Improvement Plan  
III. Feedback

Budget

I. Instructional Programs  
   a. Summit K-12 Science  
   b. Accelerated Reader  
   c. Technology Needs  
   d. Outside Tutors

Safety

I. Types of Drills  
II. Traffic AM/PM  
III. Feedback

Comments/Questions/Concerns

Review of SMDC Minutes and approval

Proceedings:

I. Greetings & Introductions
II. Celebrations
- Mr. Saenz gladly announced Patterson’s “A Rating” for S.Y. 2021-2022.
- Enrollment for S.Y. 2022-2023 is 914.
- Ms. Quinones shared the HISD FACE Award by Patterson for S.Y 2021-2022
- Ms. Adams and Ms. Bosch shared their personal celebrations

Curriculum and Instruction

I. 2022-2023 Accountability Ratings
- Patterson is an A rated school for S.Y. 2021-2022

II. School Improvement Plan
- Mr. Saenz reviewed SIP to make changes, share to staff & gather 2/3 votes before submitting to supervisor for approval.
- Reviewed Board Goals 1-5, Goal 1, 3rd to 5th aims to achieve 5% increase in points, Goal 2 – 10% increase in points, Goal 3 is to increase student percentage of graduates, Goal 4 – percentage of Sped receiving services will increase, performance by 5% increase in points for both Math and Reading
- Discussed best practices, strategies, interventions, and programs in place to use and push from “approaches” to “meets” in STAAR Reading and Mathematics. Goal 5, to increase attendance in Spring of 2023. Lingering Covid cases is affecting attendance, front office personnel, TAs in Pre-K to contact parents of absent students to prevent interruptions of teacher’s instruction. Intervention will be changed from 2 times weekly to three times (3 hours intervention time).
- Discipline- utilization of IB attributes, SEL initiative/ tickets headed by Ms. Jannise-Chavez.

III. Feedback
- Ms. Rocha proposed and or suggested if teachers could possibly send homework/worksheets of skills taught in school so parents will be involved in helping students meet the goals.

Budget

I. Instructional Programs
e. Summit K-12 Science
- Mr. Saenz asked feedback from 3rd – 5th grade teachers if Summit K-12 Science being utilized. Some implemented it with fidelity, some did not. Teachers are asked to vote in the chat they want to continue the program. Mr. Saenz will gather feedback during PLC. Summit K-12 Science will be purchase for 5th grade.

f. Accelerated Reader – subscription is expensive, (1st – 5th grade teachers to vote on chat to continue subscription or not. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade teachers have not utilized the program as much as the Freckle. Ms. Martinez’s concern is the time constraints of utilizing the program now that Zearn requires 90 minutes of log in time (3 lessons completion for a week). Mr. Saenz will seek input from teachers before making a decision.
g. Technology Needs – Proposals are as follows:
   • Some smartboards are obsolete and not working. School will not be able to replace all broken devices this school year. One smartboard approximately costs 5-10k including installation. Replacement will be done over time. For now, the school will seek to purchase 2 Clever boards.
   • A back up solution is to get projectors in movable carts until all damaged Smartboards are replaced.
   • The school targets to increase student devices- iPads in lower grade. During covid, iPads, chrome books were sent some, some are damaged, not returned.

h. Outside Tutors – Hiring of outside tutors is dependent on the school’s enrollment in October for funding. So far, with 914 enrolments, the school is beyond the projected number of enrollment to get funding.

Safety

IV. Types of Drills
   • Mr. Nicklaus discussed the drills conducted in the afternoon of Sept. 12th. Secure went well while Lockdown Procedure needs improvement. He will email for specific concerns that need to be improved. Other drills the school will conduct are as follows: Evacuation Drill, Fire Drill, Shelter in Place/Tornado Drill, and Obstructed. Mr. Saenz recognized Mr. Nicklaus’s diligence in ensuring Patterson’s school safety.

V. Traffic AM/PM

VI. Feedback

Comments/Questions/Concerns:
   • Ms. Anne Garcia shared an opportunity for Patterson to participate in January of a Concert- Fun Night for family sponsored by a non-profit organization of lawyers. This might be a good fund raising and she might be able to give away free tickets.
   • Ms. Rocha shared the Verizon program of Chromebook connections at home.
   • Mr. Saenz believed program is provided only for secondary, but it will be looked into.
   • Mr. Smooth suggested to conduct a training for teachers who are not familiar with the use of Smartboard.
   • Ms. Bosch inquired about a date for fall festival in behalf of the 2nd grade Team. Mr. Saenz and school admin are still working on it.
   • Ms. Bosch inquired if teachers are given compensatory time for planning time. Mr. Saenz will discuss inquiry with the admin team.
   • Mr. Saenz informed the members that there will be 4 SMDC meetings for the school year. Next schedule should be in November, but if there is a need to call for one, then the team can schedule an earlier meeting.

Review of SMDC Minutes and Approval
   • Review of minutes approved. Meeting Adjourned: 4:59 p.m.