

Daniel Ortiz, Jr. Middle School



SDMC Meeting

June 16, 2021

3:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting via MS Teams



MINUTES

Welcome

Ms. Martinez, Principal, opened the meeting at approximately 3:45 p.m.

Uniforms and Dress Code for 2021-22

Ms. Martinez proposed a color change to the school uniform for the 2021-22 school year. Traditionally, 6th grade wears red shirts, 7th grade wears gray shirts, and 8th grade wears dark blue. The proposal is to change 6th grade from red to light blue. The change would keep the colors more closely aligned to the school colors of blue, silver, and white. The committee approved the change for the new school year.

Ms. Martinez also asked the committee to approve the selling of Ortiz logo hoodies. The hoodies would be the only hoodie students would be allowed to wear. The goal is to create a positive campus culture in which students want to wear the logo hoodie and promote positive school culture and pride. Jackets would still be allowed, but the logo hoodies would be the only hoodies allowed. The committee approved the sale of the logo hoodies.

Culture Committee Plans for 2020-21

Ms. Martinez informed the committee that we will begin the new year with a strong plan to shift the culture of the school. She shared a presentation that the Culture Committee collaboratively created over two planning sessions. The need for the focus on culture includes the fact that students have been out of the normal school routine for over a year. The plan is to re-teach the foundational expectations of positive school culture to our students. The plan uses the IB Learner Profile attributes, monthly professional development for teachers, consistency in implementation, a move from punitive to restorative, and a curriculum that teacher can implement in their classroom. The social-emotional curriculum will be incorporated into Eagle Time every Monday and will focus on skills students may lack. The lessons include objectives, guiding questions, and student activities that are ready for teacher to implement. The committee gave the plan positive feedback. Ms. Martinez stated that the committee will work over the summer to finalize the plan.

Other Issues/Concerns

There were no other issues/concerns.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30 pm.