

The Rice School K-8
SDMC Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2023

Meeting start time was 2:30 p.m.

Meeting was called to Order. The members present are reflected on the sign-in sheet.

New Business

- Campus Safety
- Budget 2023-2024
- School Improvement Plan (SIP) Review
- Curriculum – TEA Interim, HB4545
- Eureka Math K-5, Carnegie Math 6-8
- National Magnet Certification - PBL
- Spring Break – March 13-17, 2023

Meeting Minutes:

Our SDMC meeting began at 2:30 p.m., Monday, February 20, 2023.

Campus Safety – Locked Doors both exterior and classroom are continuously monitored by Campus Officer and Administrative Staff. Texas Education Agency officers are monitoring schools throughout the Houston ISD. Monthly Fire Drills, Intruder and Shelter-in-Place Drills are current. We will continue each month in accordance with HISD guidelines. Morning and Afternoon supervision by teachers and staff demonstrate great teamwork to keep students safe.

Budget – Projections for student enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year have been calculated for 1080. Our elementary classes will have a 22:1 ratio for Grades K-4. Our Grade 5 will reflect a 25:1 ratio. For the Middle School Grades 6-8, we will reflect a 26:1 ratio. Meeting our projected enrollment and daily attendance will directly impact our budget.

School Improvement Plan (SIP) – Quarterly Reviews have been held in November and January. The next review will be in March. These formative reviews are to determine that our SIP goals are being met. We provide evidence and rate measurable objectives for Reading, Writing, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

Curriculum – The TEA Interim assessments provide us with data to determine which students are on target for passing grade level standards. House Bill 4545 tutorials are ongoing for Grades 4-8. Some students need 30 hours for reading and 30 hours for math. Ms. Callegari and Ms. Gilbert have coordinated these sessions with teachers, students, and parents. Parent conferences are being held and documented for each student who qualifies for HB4545. Tutorials are held before school and afterschool. A powerful resource, IXL, has been purchased for all students in Grades 3-8. It supports students in every content area and can be used in the classroom and at home. Teachers are implementing it to enhance learning with reading, writing, math, science, and social

studies. This online tool will help prepare our students taking the STAAR this year as it will be an online platform.

Eureka Math K-5 and Carnegie Math 6-8 – Our Teachers are registering and attending this two-day training to prepare for implementation in 2023-2024.

National Magnet Certification – Project Based Learning is an area of focus for this certification. Our teachers have submitted artifacts to Dr. Matson as projects have been captured in pictures and video. We are one of 11 Magnet Schools working toward our National Certification.

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Other business – (1.) Reading Across the Rice School will be held March 2, 2023. This event is sponsored by Ms. Owens and team. Each grade level K-8 will be asked to participate. (2.) There are old books and materials in the Fourth Grade Workroom which may be given away.

Our next SDMC meeting will be held Wednesday, May 24, 2023.

Meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.