The Rice School K-8 SDMC Meeting Minutes

February 23, 2022

Meeting start time was 4:15 p.m.

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

New Business

- Campus Safety
- COVID Precautions
- School Improvement Plan (SIP)
- Budget
- Curriculum
- Camp Spark
- Spring Break

Meeting Minutes:

Our SDMC meeting began at 4:15 p.m. on Wednesday, February 23, 2022.

Campus Safety – Monthly Fire Drills, Intruder and Shelter-in-Place Drills are up to date and will continue each month in accordance with HISD guidelines. Morning and Afternoon supervision by teachers/staff continue to demonstrate excellent teamwork.

COVID Precautions – The SDMC was reminded that our students, teachers, and staff continue to follow the CDC and HISD guidelines by wearing masks, washing hands, and socially distancing in the hallways and classrooms.

School Improvement Plan (SIP) – Quarterly Reviews were 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 54 measurable objectives for Reading, Writing, Math, Science, and Social Studies.

Budget – Projections for student enrollment for the 2022-2023 school year have been made. 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. Our projected enrollment directly impacts our annual budget.

Curriculum – 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 documented for each student who qualifies for HB4545. Tutorials are held before school, afterschool, and on Saturdays.

Camp Spark – March 14-16, 2022, Students who qualify will be invited to attend.

Spring Break – March 14-18, 2022

Other business – Region 18 provides special math games which can be used during Camp Spark. Dr. Anne Papakonstantinou, Rice University Math Professor and SDMC member of The Rice School, will send us the link.

Go Texan Day will be celebrated Friday, February 25, 2022. All Rice School Students and Staff should dress in their favorite Go Texan outfits.

Our next SDMC meeting will be held Wednesday, May 11, 2022.

Meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m.