Wheatley High School

Shared Decision-Making Committee

September 17, 2019

Meeting Minutes

Members present

Carla Brown  
Melodee Thomas  
Matausha Spruiell  
Sandra Sanchez  
Major Potts  
Willean Stewart  
Donnie Walker  
Carmen Jimenez

Mr. Williams thanked all for attending and meeting was called to order. He proceeded in sharing with SDMC Committee Members the Wheatley School Improvement Plan for the 2019-2020 School Year. He first shared a data analysis of last year’s accountability report sharing STAAR Scores and CCMR (College, Career, and Military Readiness) Data. He shared the positives of growth in Algebra, Biology, and U. S. History at all 3 levels. (Approaches, Meets, and Mastery) Another area he shared that we had growth with as with our CCMR data that showed we doubled in the number of scholars meeting a CCMR indicator outlined by state of Texas. However, he also shared the areas for needed improvement including better serving our EL (English Language Learners)* and our English scores where we did not have any growth. * We did not meet TELPAS (Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment) which measures English Language Learners language proficiency levels. He shared that although we had an overall rating of a D, we defaulted to an F due to commissioner’s new rule of meeting 2 of 4 domains in the accountability system. Although close in every domain, Wheatley only met one which was Student Progress. He shared that we have 23 new teachers and thus it is essential that we build capacity and efficacy of these teachers to best support needs of our teachers. Thus, he shared professional development in our SIP including training on English Language Proficiencies (ELPS), TEACH Discipline Management, Abydos Literacy, and others. He shared parts of our ELA Department’s action plan.

He solicited input on what we are doing well, what we needed to improve upon, and solutions for improvement. Team brainstormed and shared the following:

Glows- improvement in PLCs, better utilizing co-teachers for inclusion support, tardy system, data talks with our scholars, tardy sweeps, senior checkpoint meetings, graduation support meeting, and special events to promote the “joy factor”.

Grows- on our IAT, minimizing numbers of NGs, PEIMS data accuracy, accountability and consistency

Solutions- for safety purposes, gate be closed, more planning in PLCs, better use of accommodations in classrooms
Some individual input given in roundtable- Ms. Brown shared she needed to give Title 1 information to parents, Ms. Spruiell shared to continue building our PTO and teachers complete SAF referrals, Ms. Sanchez spoke to how she will support new teachers and Ms. Stewart and Mr. Walker stated how they will support her plan. (they are Career Pathway teachers) Finally, team ended meeting discussing more mentorship and incentives for scholars.

Meeting adjourned.