

## Clifton Middle School

### SDMC Meeting Minutes

January 25, 2022

#### I. Call to Order

Ms. Perejón called to order the regular meeting of the SDMC at 4:20pm on January 25, 2022 via Teams (virtual).

#### II. Roll Call

The following SDMC members were present: Mrs. Dolores Perejón, Ms. Fabiola Vallejo, Ms. Amy Sher, Mr. Rogelio Martinez, Mrs. Nancy Martinez, Mr. Clinton Jordan and Mr. HsiehYa Sung.

#### III. Summary of the Meeting

- Mrs. Perejón started the meeting with the introduction and welcoming of two new members to SDMC committee. Ms. Amy Sher will be the teacher member replacing Ms. Samuy and Ms. Fabiola Vallejo will be the non-instructional member replacing Mr. Rosas.
- Mrs. Perejón shared to members that there was a January budget review and school went over on enrollment. She added that school has money to hire a science teacher for 7<sup>th</sup> grade and a social studies teacher for 7<sup>th</sup> grade. She stated we currently have an enrollment of 579 and this can help us for possibly hiring a 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher next year. Ms. Perejón discussed that the only downside for increased enrollment is that the school will have to give back the extra money in another area. She added that hopefully if enrollment stays, we can hire a female coach for locker room assistance to assist Coach De la Cruz.
- Mrs. Perejón shared that we have enrolled 13 kids from Afghanistan this past two last weeks. Mrs. Perejón states she very please with having Ms. Gaeeni and Ms. Arianpour at the school to help new students with language. They both speak Persian and that has been helpful with the students' transition. Mr. Martinez added that this teaches the students to help others.
- Mrs. Perejón shared with members that DLA have been taken. She continued by stating that there are math and reading struggles. She states that eventhough 8<sup>th</sup> grade science did pretty good, 8h grade math scores were at the lowest. She mentioned that one change that was done is flop the teachers to help pull up scores. Another concern brought up is that 6<sup>th</sup> grade has struggles with multiplication and division and this may be due to virtual teaching. Mrs. Perejón mentioned that changes in intervention classes have been made. Students will split to group them by needs. Enrichment teachers will be helping with math and reading. Mrs. Perejón thanked Mr. Jordan, the art teacher, for his help.
- Mrs. Perejón asked members if know of any retired teachers to be hired as hourly lecturers for help. We would provide them the materials and needs to pull students. Mrs. Perejón continued that we will start Saturday and afternoon tutorials for more support for our students. Regarding SIP goals, our goal for reading is going from 30% to 35%, on reading for 7<sup>th</sup> grade we are on route even though it has been hard. Mrs. Perejón states that there is still work to be done during PLC planning by grade levels, working on exit tickets to ensure students become more strategic and successful. Mrs. Perejón brought up that DLA data for

reading, we have a lot to do. Our goal for math is to go from 29% to 34%. In math we have students getting more engaged.

- Mrs. Perejón shared that in one of the ARD, she and Ms. Sher noticed a student had surpassed in Imagine Reading. This proves that if they put the time, it may help with math. That was his biggest struggle and doing good he may graduate from the Special Ed program.
- Mrs. Perejón is hopeful Covid gets under control so it can help students. Hopefully they get vaccines.
- When it comes to STAAR testing, Mrs. Perejón shared that students went backwards. They struggled and it seems that they rushed. She added that next year the only option will be online. We must have conversation with students to take their time and double check their work. Also, make sure that even it is online, they can use paper to show their work. This will ensure that they are ready for high school and close the gap to show growth. Mrs. Perejón states that online testing can be spread in 5 weeks.
- Mrs. Perejón shared that the self-contained class did very well. We have to make sure they continue. Our behavior class gives us good days and some not good but we have to work on it. Ms. Sher will bring data to help bring them up to date.
- When it comes to attendance, Mrs. Perejón states that we are far from our goal due to quarantine, but we are not the only ones. Students are failing because they are not coming and missing instructional days. Mrs. Perejón wants school to make sure we show growth even if goals are not met and we are going in the right direction to make sure they are developing no matter how long it takes.
- Mrs. Perejón hopes that Benchmark 2 is at 100% by Friday. This will help us see what student's growth is and how we can support them.
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#### **IV. Questions/Comments**

- Mr. Sung joined the meeting and shared that he is glad that there is diversity at the school.
- Mr. Jordan states he can make connections and grow in Imagine Learning. Some still struggling but it is the teacher's plan and exit tickets will help with instruction.
- Mr. Martinez stated that we need to dive deeper on why students didn't understand questions. Next year we need to start day 1 to let students know that they may be more answers to a question so that they can get used to.
- Mr. Jordan states that with attendance issues, as a teacher, it is hard to keep consistency with students.
- Mr. Martinez mentioned that Imagine Math is assisting by placing student in assigned grade level to assist students in filling in gaps. He added that the program is designed to be tailored to the student.
- Mrs. Martinez asked what was being used for reading. She suggested a program for reading called Freckle. She added that Freckle can help newcomer students to read by doing activities, but it is not a lesson.

## **V. Adjournment**

- Ms. Perejón adjourned the meeting at 5:18 pm and states next meeting will be on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

### **Escuela Secundaria Clifton**

#### **Minutos de la Junta del SDMC**

25 de enero de 2022

#### **I. Llamada al orden**

La Sra. Perejón llamó para ordenar la reunión ordinaria del SDMC a las 4:20 pm del 25 de enero de 2022 a través de Teams (virtual).

#### **II. Miembros Presentes**

Estuvieron presentes los siguientes miembros de SDMC: Sra. Dolores Perejón, Srta. Fabiola Vallejo,

#### **III. Resumen de la reunión**

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**IV. Preguntas / Comentarios**

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**V. Final**

- La Sra. Perejón levantó la sesión a las 5:18 pm.