

SDMC - 5/11/2021

In attendance: Amanda Sebba, Lindsey Pollock, Patricia Williams (Shepard Forest Civic Club President, Past International President Phi Delta Kappa, etc), Stephanie DuBroff-Acosta, Matthew Jefferson (UE Lead teacher, GO 2012, Career Pathways Leader 5years), Jaime Scott (PTO President Parent of 2), Elke Eisenhauer (UE teacher).

Meeting called to order at 7:33am. Staffing was the first order of business. Welcome to our new Principal, Ms. Sebba. Vacancies: Maldonado retired (school counselor), Ledesma (Lower EI Dean of Instruction), various teacher vacancies (current vacancies, 0 in CH, 1 in Lower EI (Ms. Saenz moved to Oregon), 1 in UE, 2-3 in MS (due to Montessori Credentials). Sebba and Pollock will be vetting applicants

After the budget meeting: no cuts to budget, enrollment number projection for next year is close to 900. PUA changes have been put on hold, no adjustments. COVID Relief Funds are for very specific remediations and interventions.

Special Ed meeting last night end of year review, priorities for the upcoming year.

NW area meeting priorities for funding: fine arts, healing, trauma, benefits, etc.

STAAR testing today - 3-8th grade begins today. Kudos to Ms. Borzon for organizing.

GOMM Teachers of the Year: Secondary Jemet Martinez, Elementary Ms. White, Beginning Mr. Wenmohs.

MS Planning Team to grow and re-imagine the MS program.

Core Elements include: interdisciplinary studies, units, ErdKinder (Chickens, gardening, mentoring younger students with their gardens, esplanade project, community service).

Summer School begins June 17, Thurs-Friday, then Monday -Thursday, 8:30am-2:30. Open to all students, emphasizing Tier 2 and Tier 3 students. Face to face.

Creativity Shell - Ms. Daniel applied for a Case Grant summer camp at Garden Oaks for at risk students. Could use the camp to extend the day by an hour or two.

Creativity Cooks - program has ended - expectations for our students to write thank you notes.

Artists in residence interacting with students via Teams. ELA connection - reading a poem, acting it out, Mr. Jefferson's class is participating. Last year, an actress was their artist in residence. This year it is writers. Great partnership. Provide development for teachers. So the learning can continue when they are completed.

J Scott - PTO - meeting this evening. Focus on open board positions. Spirit night this week at the Halal Guys on Ella. Party with Dr. Pollock in the Park. MS to sell items as a fundraiser. Spirit wear will be for sale as well. Bouncy houses and a coffee truck, possibly a taco truck.

Eisenhauer - working hard on getting everyone ready for this week's events, and after testing priorities, events in the classroom, group projects, project based learning opportunities, reintegration of Montessori materials into the classroom and lessons. Working with students one on one who are in need of some remediation.

Patricia Williams - Neighborhood updates - May 12 at 630pm zoom meeting on Educators Rising (Phi Delta Kappa) MS, HS and college students who are interested in becoming teachers. June 24-27. Dr. Pollock can send the link to the zoom meeting. Civic club is planning a picnic on September 27 at Stonecrest Park on TC Jester. All are welcome! There are scholarships available (\$1000-\$1500).