

Browning Elementary

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Preparing all PK-5th grade global leaders for a life of opportunity!

SDMC/Safety Minutes: September 28, 2017

1. Student Enrollment

Committee members reviewed current student enrollment. Enrollment projections have not been met-short by twenty six students. Committee members discussed how loss of students will affect budget for school. Members were also told about the plan to increase student enrollment by creating Kinder/PK Split classrooms.

2. Budget

Committee was informed the dollar amount due to district if enrollment did not improve. Budget will be reviewed again in October to determine changes in deficit due to classroom splits and new enrollment in AVANCE.

3. Safety

Committee discussed upcoming safety drills for the month of October, including systems for intruder/ disaster drills. Suggestion included changing location for younger students going to the cafeteria and older students go to the library.

4. School Improvement Plan

Members discussed the importance of preparation and creating lesson activities that are tightly aligned with the learning target. SIP initiatives were discussed and submitted for final approval.

5. Instructional Focus

Instructional focus will include active student engagement and responding to student understanding and misunderstanding. In order to improve student achievement for low performing students, small group instruction will be provided in core areas.

6. Open House

Committee members discussed keeping clear and consistent expectations for attendance, arrival times, and students leaving school early. Expectations for homework apply to the grade level teams as long as the work is appropriate for the age of the student.

7. Questions & Concerns

- Can we get an additional teacher assistant to assist with class coverage and lunch duty? Due to budget constraints, no additional hiring will occur.*
- Can we get new benches for the playground? A request has been made to the district to replace the wooden benches.*

- *Where is the money from PTO/After School Sales Going? Money currently raised by PTO and After School will be used to restore the pond and garden area. PTO will also be using funds on incentives for students throughout the year. Staff members who plan to raise funds are required to complete fundraising forms. Monthly reports including amount raised, amount spent, and remaining balance must be submitted to Ms. Martinez. Monthly reports will be shared during SDMC meetings and posted in the Browning Bulletin.*

Members present: *Alicia Walls, Griselda Avalos, Jessica Graham, Christina Martinez, Danielle Norris, Keitha McQueen, Gloria Burciaga, Yvonne Saravia, Gerardo Chapa, and Julia Elizondo*