

Audrey H. Lawson Middle School

SDMC Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2020

I. Call to order

Ms. Keoshya Dunn called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm on February 5, 2020 in RM 1105 at Lawson Middle School.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: SDMC Members Shawn Rushing and Cecilia Borge via phone conference

III. Enrollment

- a) 1318 students currently enrolled
 - 1) 6th Grade – 433
 - 2) 7th Grade – 446
 - 3) 8th Grade - 439

IV. Staffing/New Staff

- a) 67 Classroom Teachers and 5 associate Teachers
- b) 3 New Hires
 - 1) 1 New 6th Grade ELA Teacher
 - 2) 1 New 8th Grade Social Studies Teacher
 - 3) 1 New Math Interventionist
- c) Intervention Support
 - 1) 3 ELA tutors (2 6th Gr & 1 7th GR)
 - 2) 2 Math tutors (1 7th Gr & 1 8th Gr)

V. Dec/Jan Review

- a) Attendance percentage in December 2019 maintained a 94.9% from December 2018 but is increasing
- b) Behavior comparison from December 2018 to December 2019 shows an increase in the number of ISS students and a decrease in the number of OSS students
- c) Attendance percentage in January 2020 decreased 0.9% from January 2019 and corrective measures have been put in place to increase attendance
- d) Behavior comparison from January 2019 to January 2020 shows an increase in the number of ISS students and a decrease in the number of OSS students
- e) Annual Activities:
 - 1) The 8th graders went on a field trip to the Main Event to celebrate attendance, academics and good citizenship

- 2) Ms. Steen led our Community Walk on December 19, 2019
- 3) Lawson hosted its Annual Fine Arts Holiday Spectacular
- 4) Administration held its Secret Santa Student Edition
- 5) Student/Staff Volleyball Game
- 6) 12 Days of Lawson Campus Holiday Celebration
- 7) Drumline performed during halftime at the Rockets vs. Portland Trail Blazers game
- 8) Lawson's band and dance team performed in the Martin Luther King Jr Parade that took place downtown
- 9) Lawson Dance Team participated in the Westside Choreography and Dance Montage
- 10) Wraparound Specialist Turner provided food for families of students
- 11) DLA Prep Saturday Tutorials
- 12) SPED Dept. Food Drive

VI. DLA at a Glance: Comparison from 18-19 vs 19-20

- a) 6th Grade Math and 8th Grade Math showed a decrease
- b) Growth was obtained in all other areas across the grade levels
- c) Focus is on the students: teaching and learning every day to stay on track and grow

VII. State of the Classroom

- a) Scholars have been moved to support them in reaching their end goal based on data, their skill set and teacher capacity in all content areas to further prepare for Mock STAAR in February and March
- b) From the DLA and SNAP 2 testing data changes were made to groups and goals for scholars, teacher and content departments. A Group: Meets & Masters, B&C Groups: Meets & Approaches, C&D Groups: Approaches and Growth Scholars
- c) Created lasting experiences for students and making connections
- d) Tutors and Administrators pulling small groups
- e) ESL Intervention: 270 scholars will be pulled to focus on listening and speaking skills 30 minutes twice per week by the ELA Admin Team
- f) SPED Dept: STAAR ALT state window is March 30 – April 17, 2020, a solid plan is in place in order to complete testing before the closing date of the window.
- g) 9 Thursdays and 4 Saturdays in February and March have been planned for additional tutorial support for our scholars

VIII. Celebrations

- a) Perfect Attendance Pizza Party
- b) 8th Grade POD Wars Nacho Party for no tardies
- c) 6th & 8th Grade Gummy Bear attendance incentives
- d) 7th Grade “You’re on Fire” attendance incentives
- e) “Your Attendance is Poppin’” popcorn party for students who attended school on early release days
- f) DLA Pizza Party for students that hit the Meets and Masters level of testing
- g) DLA Jam for students that hit the Approaches, Meets and Masters level of testing
- h) 7th Grade Volleyball Girls were crowned Zone Champions
- i) A² Club induction for scholars who display exemplar attendance, behavior and a positive attitude
- j) Honor Roll celebration is scheduled for next week to celebrate scholars on the A/B honor roll.

IX. Open Floor

- a) Rev Johnson, at the last meeting offered support for teachers’ emotional balance in life by partnering with Lawson, after researching we do have a need for this
- b) Admin are executing the Romdell Project of mentoring students
- c) Prairie View 4H has been consistent with the AVID Garden Club but are moving to Wednesdays. Shout Out to Kimble for organizing and getting the club started

X. Adjournment

Ms. Keosha Dunn adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.

Minutes submitted by Kathy Trimmer

Minutes approved by: [Name]