

The Rice School/La Escuela Rice
SDMC Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2019

Meeting start time was 4:15 p.m.

Meeting was called to Order. The members present are reflected on the sign-in sheet.

New Business

- Campus Safety & Security
- Budget
- Elementary & Secondary Curriculum
- Hour of Code
- PTO & Rice School Holiday Luncheons

Meeting Minutes:

Our SDMC meeting began at 4:15 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2019.

Campus Safety & Security – HISD’s Risk Management department recently conducted an Intruder Drill at our school and we passed the test. Staff members followed the protocols and systems in place for screening visitors as they enter the building. Staff members were reminded to help keep the school safe by stopping visitors without badges and redirect them to the main office. Fire Drills and Intruder Drills were also discussed. Student Safety is our number one priority.

Budget - The SDMC was informed by Principal Hobbs that the school returned money back to the District due to the October snapshot numbers. We were 24 students short of the 1150 student projection. Money will be deducted from our school budget as a result. Attendance is a major factor in the calculation of funding for our school.

Elementary & Secondary Curriculum – Our teachers are giving students the District Level Assessments (DLA) for Grades 1-8 in Reading, Math, Writing, Science.

Hour of Code – HISD visitors stopped by to observe Rice School students joining millions of other students across the world in the Hour of Code. Students from Ms. Lewis’ and Ms. Rios’ classes used programming tools to create computer games, applications, and web content. There were plugged and unplugged activities during this coding event.

PTO & Rice School Luncheons – Our teachers and staff enjoyed both holiday luncheons sponsored by the PTO (December 11th) and the Rice School (December 17th). Special thank you to PTO for providing students with a Holiday Fruit Bag.

Other Business – (1.) Parking issues at dismissal. (2.) SDMC meetings are scheduled quarterly according to Board Policy and they are October 23 (Q1); December 11 (Q2); February 19 (Q3); and May 13(Q4).

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.