

## SDMC Minutes – 3rd 6 Weeks – 2022-2023

November 17, 2022

### Academic goals and progress

- TEA interim assessments happening after Thanksgiving. Questions asked about how students are being prepared to take online assessments. Teachers responded with information about use of paper during online test.
- New infusion of laptops. Discussion of balancing new technology with student discourse and interaction, etc.

### Updates from Sebba – Budget, Staffing, Enrollment, Purchasing, and Instruction

- On track with budget.
- Our eco dis percentage was up 1.8% from last year.
- Two new employees started recently.

### School/classroom updates

- Holiday cultural connections happening (e.g., Stone Soup)
- Talking to the children about need in our community and invite them to get together in their household and seek gently used items – “The incredible lightness of giving.”
- Secret Santa in Lower EI with discrete observation of students – kids observe one another and hand make gifts.
- Holiday research ongoing – children pick their own holiday, they try to pick a food item represented in that culture.

### PTO updates

- Discussion of Boosterthon changes this year - pros and cons. Did not meet fundraising goals but generally got more positive feedback from teachers.
- Spring: coordinating dragon dancers for Asian Pacific Islanders and other event in March is celebration of Muslim Culture
- Hot cocoa and cookies at December PTO meeting (12/13/22 at 6:30) and Santa
- Career Day - May 18, 2023

SDMC Scheduling - 1/19/23 is the next meeting