

**SDMC Minutes – Q3**

**Wednesday, February 23, 2022**

**3:15 p.m. – Microsoft Teams**

***(To be approved at the next SDMC meeting)***

The virtual SDMC meeting was called to order at 3:20 PM through the Microsoft Teams platform. The members are as follows:

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| Name of SDMC Member | Position (Term expires) |
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| Wendy Tilford-sdmc@riveroakspto.org | Business Member (2023) |
| Holly Shilstone- sdmc@riveroakspto.org | Community Member (2023) |
| Jana Bomersbach jbomers1@houstonisd.org | Kinder Classroom Teacher (2022) |
| Loghan Abila - loghan.abila@houstonisd.org | 1st Classroom Teacher (2023) |
| Nicole Heitke - nheike@houstonisd.org | 2nd Classroom Teacher (2023) |
| Jessica Hill- Jessica.hill@houstonisd.org | 3rd Classroom Teacher (2022) |
| Jessica Dyra- jessica.dyra@houstonisd.org | 4th Classroom Teacher (2023) |
| Debbie McLaughlin- deborah.mclaughlin@houstonisd.org | 5th Classroom Teacher (2023) |
| Nadine D’Souza- ndsouza@houstonisd.org | Non-Instructional Staff (2023) |
| Wei Mao – sdmc@riveroakspto.org | Parent (2023) Magnet |
| Anna Goldberg- sdmc@riveroakspto.org | Parent (2022) Magnet |
| Cynthia Walker - sdmc@riveroakspto.org | Parent (2023) Zoned |
| Mekiva Callahan- sdmc@riveroakspto.org | Parent (2022) Zoned |
| Keri Fovargue - kfovargu@houstonisd.org | School-Based Staff (Head of School) |
| Aminata Ojore – aojore@houstonisd.org | Special Education School-Based Staff (2023) |
| Joel Bomersbach - jbomersb@houstonisd.org | School-Based Staff (2023) |

Dr. Fovargue welcomed the committee, and a motion was made to approve the December – Q2 minutes by Ms. McLaughlin. Ms. Hill seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved.

First, Dr. Fovargue presented the new Capital Outlay (CO) committee purpose and completed projects. She asked the SDMC to approve the CO committee as a subcommittee of the SDMC. The CO minutes from each meeting will now be published on the SDMC section of the website. Dr. Fovargue shared that the building has now been power washed and mildew treated, and the gutters have now been cleaned. Motions were made, and the SDMC approved adding the CO committee as a subcommittee effective immediately.

Additionally, Dr. Fovargue gave a brief staffing update including the ESSER funded positions that are posted on the website. Current openings include:1st grade ESL teacher, 2nd grade ESL teacher, 4th grade ESL teacher, Media Specialist – New Position centrally funded, Teacher Specialist – ESSER funded, Counselor – ESSER funded, Special Education Department Chair, Special Education – TREK Autism teacher, and Student Information Representative – New position centrally funded. Dr. Fovargue has started to screen and interview candidates with the Team Leaders and Mr. Johnson, Assistant Principal .

Next, Dr. Fovargue shared that the district was moving towards Eureka Math for all elementary schools by 2023-2024, and has asked Ms. Schoaps (3rd grade teacher with a Master’s degree in K-8 mathematics) to lead a committee to review this curriculum to see if it would be equivalent to Everyday Math. Dr. Fovargue stated that she was not recommending any math curriculum changes for the 22-23 school year.

Lastly, Ms. Goldberg gave a presentation regarding the impact of homework and research that supports no homework. Dr. Fovargue stated that she shared the presentation in advance with the committee. She also stated that the assessment/grading policy was already approved for this year; however, the points made in the presentation would be reviewed during the IB Self-Study.

After all topics were addressed, Ms. McLaughlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Ms. Dyra seconded the motion. The committee unanimously agreed, and the meeting was adjourned at 4:06 PM.