



WALTRIP HIGH SCHOOL

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SDMC MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday December 11, 2024

AGENDA ITEMS	TIME	NOTES/MINUTES
1. Welcome	2 min	<p>Present:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> AP Issa <input type="checkbox"/> AP Bell <input type="checkbox"/> AP A. Martinez <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Dowiak <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. Dudley <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Beatty <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Gray <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. M. Ortega <input type="checkbox"/> Harris Ms. Shoney (PTO President)
2. Celebrate Teachers and Students	10 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Action Plan Discussion Data Insights and Strategic Goals <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. Dowiak: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Engaged in thoughtful discussion on ensuring all key tasks are achievable with current staffing. o Highlighted the importance of balancing instructional time with data collection to maintain meaningful results. o Shared insights on setting unified benchmarks across student sub-populations to support equitable growth. <input type="checkbox"/> Principal Cortez: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Shared strategies for leveraging tools like OnTrack data and spot observation trends to meet annual goals. o Emphasized the importance of incorporating multiple modes of learning (reading, writing, listening, speaking) into daily instruction. o Highlighted ongoing progress in reducing achievement gaps, particularly in English I and II, showcasing positive trends in reading scores.
3. Action Plan / Data / CCMR	10 min	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Attendance <input type="checkbox"/> Principal Cortez: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Identified key opportunities to improve attendance, particularly for 9th graders. o Celebrated a team effort to address attendance challenges with focused strategies. <input type="checkbox"/> AP Bell: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Explained how targeted support for credit-deficient students is helping address attendance trends. <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher and Student Support Ideas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Appreciation Hour in November was a fantastic opportunity to build community and was well-received by staff. • Exciting ideas were shared for recognizing and rewarding students and teachers, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Providing school store credits for students demonstrating significant improvements. o Offering gift cards as quiet, meaningful acknowledgments for students who meet attendance or behavior goals. o Creating a Google Form for teachers and staff to share positive feedback about students, fostering a culture of encouragement and recognition. • Fundraising Opportunities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o PTO encouraged collaboration with other groups to increase participation and shared success. o Example: ROTC successfully participated in providing a basket for Jazz Night. o A shared vision for all fundraising efforts will strengthen our collective impact. • Next Steps: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o AP Bell and Ms. Cortez are partnering to enhance participation and align fundraising strategies with school needs.

4. Staffing Update – English/Biology	5 min	<input type="checkbox"/> Staffing Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Team Members: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Welcoming a new English teacher in January! ○ Thrilled to have a new Biology teacher already contributing to the team.
5. Upcoming Assessments	5 min	<input type="checkbox"/> Assessment Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall Semester Assessment Week: Exciting progress happening next week! • STAAR Testing: Scheduled for the spring, with preparations well underway. <input type="checkbox"/> College, Career, and Military Readiness (CCMR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Led by AP Martinez: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Celebrating growth! Our goal is to move from 91% to 96%, and we've already climbed from 41% to 76% since the start of the year. • Key Areas of Focus: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Texas College Bridge program showing positive momentum. ○ TSI assessment progress (both Math and English must pass). ○ Industry-Based Certifications in CTE pathways, with health science certifications launching in February. ○ Dual credit success stories, with results forthcoming in January. ○ Opportunities to expand participation in the OnRamps program for even greater impact. • Highlights: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Field trip to HELC inspired students and contributed to a jump in CCMR points. ○ AP Saturday Academies drew 69 students, reflecting strong engagement.
6. Open Floor	10 min	