

Shared Decision-Making Committee (SDMC) Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 3:21.

Member in Attendance: David Church, Emily Conner, Barbara Smith, Taylor Rayner, Danetta Keevill, Rachelle Varnon, Andrea French, Rachael Cahan, Carlyn Burton,

Members Absent: Rhianna Hart, Brittani Rideaux, Karen Duffy

A motion to approve the minutes from October 6, 2022 was approved.

School Improvement Plan: A quarterly update for the SIP was given explaining that we are on track to meet our goals. STAAR assessment will be administered electronically this year, and students will have greater opportunity to show their understanding via new formats for questions. We are working on getting students ready and comfortable taking the STAAR redesign online. An online program was purchased to meet the needs of our students, and data will be used from the program to determine progress and small group instruction for intervention.

Budget Update: Travis was able to return funds to the district due to under enrollment without affecting staffing or programs. (We had 713 students at the deadline instead of the projected 716.) The same budget model being used this school year will likely be in place for next school year.

Staffing Update: Staffing needs are expected to stay the same for next year, though changes will be made as needed based on enrollment.

Enrollment: On March 1st, Kindergarten enrollment will open along with enrollment for other grade levels, as well. There is no anticipation of needing to cap any classes for next school year until school starts in August. There are currently a minimum of eight spaces available for entering Magnet kindergarten students, and we will increase that as needed based on neighborhood enrollment.

Playground Re-Sparking Update: The Spark Park Program has agreed to match \$200,000 for the resparking of the school playground. The Travis Foundation has approved spending up to \$300,000, and HISD will provide some funds, as well. We are currently working with Asakura Robinson to develop a proposal for the refurbished playground. Members of the school community, including students, will have an opportunity to provide feedback. When ready, the proposal will be brought to the SDMC for additional consideration and a final vote for approval.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.