



## Waltrip High School

### AMENDED MINUTES - SDMC Meeting

February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2022

The question was regarding help in the girl's restroom, particularly with drug issues. We have police officers, hall monitors, and assistant principals on each floor, but the teachers are the one checking in between and during classes. When asked how the AP's can help, the response was that they are too busy.

4:30 PM - Virtual Meeting called by Michael Niggli, Principal

*ADDENDUM to the minutes submitted on 3/7/22*

*It was brought to the attention of the SDMC that the girls' restroom in the "2100" hallway has consistent issues of girls hanging out and there are instances of drug use. The question asked was, "can the hall monitors, police and/or Assistant Principals assist the teachers in monitoring the restrooms in this hallway?"*

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#### Old Business from October 2021

- Cafeteria **There are now 2 lines in the cafeteria consistently open.**
  - Girls' Restroom **The low "privacy wall" issue has not yet been addressed. It may require a more engineered correction than anticipated.**
- \*Another issue has been a shortage of supplies. Mr. Niggli will contact the district regarding our restroom supplies.**
- 3C's – Community, Culture, Consistency - **The third 3C's meeting will take place on 3/3/22.**
  - Student of The Week - **This program is still active. A link has been sent out to submit teacher choices. Winners should be announced on Tuesdays during advocacy announcements. There are currently only 4-5 submissions.**
  - Cameras/Hall Monitors/Mentor Programs – **We still have cameras that are not active. The cameras that were part of the bond money are working. Cameras not part of the bond, have not been repaired. The indoor cameras that were placed outside have been replaced. Ms. Witherspoon asked about repositioning the cameras whose line-of-sight is above the furdowns.**  
**\*Locations of furdowns should be identified and discussed in more detail.**

**We have hired 2 hall monitors. They have been very successful in keeping students out of the halls and out of trouble.**

**As for our current mentor programs, Ascending to Men is very active and has helped many boys. Dr. Anderson works with a group of boys in morning meetings.**



The campus will be reestablishing “Women of Waltrip” which is a program similar to Ascending to Men. Another option being considered is VOICES. *VOICES: A Program of Self-Discovery and Empowerment for Girls Curriculum written by Stephanie S. Covington, Ph.D., LCSW*

- Campus Police - Waltrip does not have a designated officer, but we have a steady rotation of officers that have become more familiar with the students and campus. Most of the time we have 2 officers, but sometimes there is only one.
- Water Bottle Fillers – quotes received are \$700-\$800

#### Senior Events

- [WHS Senior Class / Home \(houstonisd.org\)](http://houstonisd.org) Prom is being held in a downtown hotel ballroom.

#### Staff

- New Teacher: Tony Patterson – **Mr. Patterson is our new Spanish teacher. He also speaks Portuguese, Russian, Arabic and some Chinese and English, too!**
- **Open Positions:** Spanish Tutor; Parent Engagement representative; English Tutor; Math Teacher; Health Science Teacher (2022-23); English Teacher (2022-23)

#### Health Updates – anticipated March 11<sup>th</sup>

- Campus Covid testing: [Fulgent Booking System 1.0 - Residence Appointment \(fulgentgenetics.com\)](http://fulgentgenetics.com)

#### Curriculum and Instruction

- Achieve 3000 (continuing) – literacy program; **Previously, this program was paid out of Title I and State Comp funds, but now it will be funded through ESSER. SDMC has asked for data showing Waltrip participation and effectiveness\*.**
- Summit K-12 (new) – Emergent Bilingual support; Ms. Duffy
  - [Summit K12 – Empower Learners. Support Teachers. Accelerate Achievement.](#)
- Mastery Prep (new) – SAT and TSIA2 prep; Ms. Griffin **Noted that TSI is only for Texas schools.**
  - [MasteryPrep - Test Prep for Schools and Districts -](#)
- IXL (new) – core content curriculum support; Ms. Rogers
  - [IXL | Math, Language Arts, Science, Social Studies, and Spanish](#)
- Intervene K-12 (in-process) – small group virtual tutorials in core contents; EB support; Ms. Rogers **This program will be active 2022/2023 school year and will be funded through ESSER.**
  - [Home - Intervene \(intervenek12.com\)](http://intervenek12.com)



Newsletter Ms. Narvaez, our WrapAround Specialist will be publishing a weekly/bi-weekly or monthly newsletter. The newsletter will be sent via the Remind App and email (85% of students have valid parent email addresses.)

HISD Strategic Plan Highlights This 79 Page document can be found at [houstonisd.org](http://houstonisd.org). The 6-Points of the document are highlighted below:

#### COMMITMENTS & STRATEGIES

1. **Trust and Reliability for Our Families and Community**
2. **Equitable Opportunities and Resources at Every School**
  - *It was noted in the meeting that school budgets will be centralized providing clear, consistent, and transparent reporting and analysis on the district's use of public resources. Central Budget will pay for these positions at every school: nurse, college and career lead, counselor, teaching assistant and Librarian/Media Specialist.*
3. **Great Schools in Every Neighborhood**
4. **High Quality Teaching and Learning**
5. **Effective Services and Supports for Students with Exceptional Needs**
6. **World Class Talent Throughout the District**

\*Community Service - We will re-visit community service at the next SDMC meeting.

#### Other

- National Honor Society Induction April 28th
  - Stephanie Seewald and Anita Griffin, co-chairs
  - [WHS National Honor Society \(houstonisd.org\)](http://WHS.NationalHonorSociety(houstonisd.org))

SDMC member and teacher Ms. Witherspoon asked if 3DE could be expanded to have an Engineering and Fabrication strand. Also addressed was the continuation of 3DE to 10<sup>th</sup> grade. Mr. Niggli noted that in order for the 3DE 10<sup>th</sup> grade expansion to happen, we would need to certify current 10<sup>th</sup> grade teachers and get a commitment to engage in the program.

Enrollment snap-shot was 1,705; projection was 1,763; a shortage of 58 students

In accordance with the document, BQB2Regulation SDMC, SDMC member, Matt Dowiak, asked when the committee would be addressing the following items as outlined in "RESPONSIBILITIES #5" of the document:

- recommending changes in the school's staffing patterns
- developing and approving campus staff development plans

ESSER Funds – SDMC members asked for a breakdown of how ESSER funds can be used.

\*Administration is asking for suggestions for how teachers can utilize these funds. ESSER can



be used for test prep, reading and math interventions, campus-based tutoring, expanded counseling/mental health support, wrap-around services, and campus safety. Mr. Niggli has provided the SDMC members a copy of the **Campus ESSER Programs Spending Guidelines** for the district. \*Next meeting, we will be given the Waltrip distribution.

ESSER can be used to hire tutors and pay teachers for tutorial times. (example of what they will not pay is a music teacher that already receives a stipend.)

Bell Schedule – the question arose about the 1<sup>st</sup> school bell letting students in the building at 8:20 when teacher sign in is at 8:25. “How can we adjust the bell schedule so that teacher sign-in is before students are allowed to enter the building.

\*items for follow-up