

**SDMC MEETING MINUTES
TINSLEY ELEMENTARY
APRIL 12, 2016**

SELECT SCHOOL WAIVERS

- 1) Waivers from <http://prodnet.houstonisd.org/SWAV/SchoolWaiver.aspx> were reviewed
 - a. #2 was checked
 - i. All Schools-Faculty Advisory Council Waiver of Local Board Policy BM2 (LEGAL) BM2 (REGULATION)
 1. A school may ask for a waiver of Board policy to use the Shared Decision-Making Committee (SDMC) or a sub-committee in place of the Faculty Advisory Committee (FAC)
 - b. #3 was not checked
 - i. Title I Schools-Parent Advisory Council in place of PTA/PTO Waiver of Local Board Policy GE (LOCAL) GE1 (REGULATION)
 - c. #5 was not checked
 - i. Elementary/Middle School-Promotion Standards Waiver of Local Board Policy EIE (LOCAL)
 - d. #8 was not checked
 - i. All Schools-HISD Early Dismissal Days Waiver
 - e. #10 was not checked
 - i. All Schools-Exemption from Following Houston I.S.D. Curriculum Waiver of Local Board Policy EFAA (LOCAL) and School Guidelines Section VIII
 - f. #11 was not checked
 - i. Alternative Schools-PTA/PTO at Specialty Instructional Setting Waiver of Local Board Policy GE (LOCAL) GE1 (REGULATION)
 - g. #13a was checked
 - i. Professional Development Days-General-Maximum of Three Days
 1. Districts or schools can request a waiver to train staff on various educational strategies designed to improve student performance in lieu of a maximum of three days of student instruction. With this waiver, schools must submit the days and dates they are requesting.
 - h. #13b was checked
 - i. Professional Development-Subject Areas-Maximum of Two days
 1. Districts and schools can request a waiver to conduct additional staff training for reading/language arts, mathematics, science, or social studies training, one day per subject, in lieu of student instruction for two days. The extra day or days must be related to staff development on the state assessment for reading/language arts, mathematics, science or social studies, respectively on the early reading diagnostic instruments for kindergarten through grade two. With this waiver, schools must submit the days and dates they are requesting.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 1) Most teachers wanted the five days offered for professional development offered by Houston I.S.D.

SAFETY

- 1) A fire drill needs to be scheduled for the month of April
 - a. Tinsley has monthly fire drills
- 2) Students need to be actively monitored when they transition
 - a. Active monitoring by an adult in hall(s) and pod(s) will help keep our students and school safe
- 3) Daily safety announcements are made
 - a. Interior and exterior doors closed at all times

COMMUNICATION

- 1) Announcements made and letters sent home for “MVP Gentlemen’s Day” (April 19) and “Pretty in Pink-A Girls Day Event” (April 21)

POSSIBILITIES FOR NEXT YEAR AT TINSLEY

- 1) Having more bilingual teachers in the upper grades
- 2) Stronger focus on reading in all content areas and across grade levels. This is a focus of the turnaround plan.
- 3) Should there be Saturday detention for problem behavior?
 - a. Length would be four hours per Saturday (8:00 – 12:00)
 - i. Families are responsible for drop-off and pickup
 - b. If student(s) miss a Saturday detention than a more serious consequence will be set for the student
 - i. No field day for student(s)
 - ii. Suspension for student(s)
 - iii. No field trip for student(s)