

SMHS School Council Meeting Minutes for 8/21/18

Starting Time: 5:00 pm

Ending Time: 6:00 pm

Attendees: David Appleman, John Chichester, Leilani Jacobson, Jami Padgett, Carrie Matteson, Kris Thayer, Garry Cooper, Leza Aroyian, Amiee Antila

Agenda Items:

1) Calendar – Reviewed upcoming calendar events

Recent Events:

8/16 Open House was well attended

8/17 Varsity Game was fun, great attendance, we have a large cheerleader team this year. Good win!

-In the first week we had two fire drills and a lockdown. One fire drill was not planned, this was due to students vaping on campus.

9/3 Labor Day Recess

9/10 K-12 Recess

2) School Council Rules/Purpose

- a. By state law the school principal is bound to have a school council with specific members of the community and school staff.
- b. This is an open meeting, meaning that anyone can attend to listen, but not participate because there are not an elected member.
- c. Mr. Appleman solicit agenda items for the school council every Tuesday a week prior to the meeting. That is required by law.

3) Welcome Back PD

- a. We had a smooth opening of school this year.
- b. Ms. Aroyian mentioned that she thought it made a huge difference for Administration to come on during the announcements the first few days about being a Model Matador.
- c. We are bringing back Honor role this year.

4) Test data

- a. Our AZMerit scores were not good this year. We need to work on emphasizing to students that these tests do matter to the school in regards to our school rating, their personal school success, etc.
- b. Our SAT scores were lower this year because all students took this test.

5) Demographic Data

- a. We have at least 4 National Merits Scholars this year!
- b. Around 30% of our population is Hispanic and 30% of our Honors and AP student population are Hispanic.

6) Equity - Dominique Smith

- a. Building Equity by Dominique Smith: His thrust is it's not about black and white, it is about socioeconomic issues, are they growing up in poverty. Get to know all your students or at least most of them. Take time to get to know a few at a time, this will really make a difference in your teaching practice.
- b. He talks about whether teachers demonstrate that they care about their students, if teachers show that they care about their students by coming to their events, talking to them, etc. students are more likely to engage in their learning. Building relationships with students is really key to student engagement.

7) Engagement - Robert J. Marzano

- a. The Highly Engaged Classroom