

**Spring Branch Middle-043  
CIT Meeting  
September 19, 2023**

**Minutes**

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Members Present:	Jennifer Taylor, Maya Franchi, Kathy Braddock, Charlene Ibanez, Kim Ross, Julie Hodson, Lisa Ortega
Members Absent:	Juliet Peterson, Ashleigh Garrett
Meeting was called to order by:	Catherine Pavone, Building Principal

**Vacancies**

We hired a Registrar so that Ms. Ramos can go back as a grade level assistant. She has worked in the school system before. She is being trained at the moment.

We have also hired an ICS teacher. He has been working as a sub at SFMS and had great recommendations.

**STAAR**

Ms. Pavone went over 3 years of STAAR data. We are above district and state. Generally speaking, we have been trending up but in masters. The state has not come out with the new accountability system. A thought from Ms. Ibanez about masters since student have had a rough start to middle school (reading).

**Bridge Year**

7<sup>th</sup> grade students will experience CTE and Career stations through the Science classes. This will be on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

**Early Release November 8<sup>th</sup>**

**Campus Improvement Plan/Budgets**

We are changing some budget codes. We need to consolidate numbers. To make it cleaner and concise. CIT approved the adjustment of \$13,300 from some Title funds one Title fund for salaries and benefits.

## **Next Year**

Dr. Blaine will send out information tomorrow regarding how next year may look for our district and our school. Since we are not getting additional funding, we are looking at budget cuts. We don't know how it will affect SBMS. In addition, with our 8<sup>th</sup> period day we don't have ways to cut teachers. Ms. Pavone will keep CIT informed.

## **Others:**

- Our community event with the Wizards was a big success.
- Campus has been good. Discipline is down compared to last year.
- Culture is changing positively.
- We don't have an update for the front door buzzer. We are waiting.
- Digital Hall pass: The issue is that the company requires parents to sign off for students to use it. Our technology department is working with the company.
- Maybe we can have the PTA send out information to parents about reminding students to clean the cafeteria.
- M. Ortega suggested that we could have a cleaning day for the fence by the football field that has trash.
- PBIS Positive Behavior Intervention System: Students can get rewarded with Bear Bucks and then pick an award. We are just starting with this.
- Ms. Taylor suggested we could try to get recycling bins for water bottles.
- Clubs: we currently have a Thespian club and students have approached a teacher about a debate club. This needs to be student initiated and sponsored by a teacher.
- Ms. Braddock asked what her role should be as the community rep. Some ideas were mentioned such as helping teachers if they need supplies. Another idea might be having an event with the Board of Trustees and community members as a fundraising event. Another idea might be having the community give appreciation to all staff with gift cards donations.

- Even though morale might seem higher this year, the state legislature response to education has been slapped to teachers. Specially after teachers went through COVID years.