

**Squires Elementary School
School Organizational Team Minutes
Wednesday, August 30, 2017
2:30 pm**

The Squires School Organizational Team meeting was called to order at 2:32 pm on August 30, 2017. The meeting was held in the Multi-Purpose Room at Squires Elementary School.

Members present:

Tammara Zerga, Bricia Contreras, Amanda Jones, Norma Valladares, Kathy Groom, Barry Bosacker

Members absent:

Isabel Gutierrez (arrived late)

2.0 Public Comment:

None

3.0 New Items:

- **Reviewed meeting notes-** Team approved meeting notes from the March 22, 2017 meeting.
 - **Extended School Day for 2017-18**
 - **Change in morning procedures**
 - **Newsletters sent home monthly**
 - **Facilities**

4.0 General Discussion

- **4.1 4th and 5th Departmentalization**
 - Teacher Comments: Focus on teacher strengths, more time for core curriculum, transparency and communication to parents through Class Dojo
 - Student Comments: Likes moving from class to class, having three teachers and the day goes by fast
- **4.2 Technology Class and Squires' updated website**
 - Teacher demonstrated how to use the website
 - <http://squireselementary.com>
- **4.3 After School Program**
 - Begins 9/18 and registration 9/5-7 from 2:30-4
 - Adding additional classes for: Adult English and Citizenship and JD Smith (Archery, soccer, Choir, tutoring and mentoring)
 - Proposed: Additional Funding Requested from 21st CCLC for Project Rise Science Curriculum.
 - Proposal Passed: 6 yes 0 no
- **4.4 Budget Update**
 - District in a short fall
 - September 18th-New budget
 - SOT team will meet 9/20 to discuss new budget and get approval
- **4.5 New Construction**
 - New building- January 18th
 - 18 rooms
 - Portables will be removed by Christmas
 - Location: Where portables are currently
- **4.6 Longer Instructional Day**
 - New times starting 9/5/2017:
 - 7:15 Breakfast
 - 7:45 School begins
 - 2:16 Dismissal
- **4.7 Standard Student Attire/Uniform**
 - Benefits: Pride, no peer pressure, belonging
 - Drawbacks: Cost, difficult to find, loss of individuality
- **4.8 Future meetings:**
 - Held in the Library
 - 9/20/17, 10/18/17, 11/29/17, 12/20/17, 1/24/18, 2/21/18, 3/21/18, 4/25/17, 5/23/18

5.0 Information

- **5.1 Parent SOT Member elections: Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 8:00am**

- **5.2 Next meeting: Squires Library 9/20/2017**
- **5.3 Proposed Meeting Dates:**
 - 9/20/17, 10/18/17, 11/29/17, 12/20/17, 1/24/18, 2/21/18, 3/21/18, 4/25/17, 5/23/18

Public Comment

- Questions about:
 - Uniform Colors
 - After School Program
 - Transportation for new start times

The meeting was adjourned at 3:32 pm.