

NORTHSIDE EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

AGENDA

Tuesday, April 4, 2006

6:00 p.m.

Board Room, 5900 Evers Road

The Northside Educational Improvement Council (NEIC) is the district decision-making committee established in accordance with Texas Education Code Sec. 11.251, and 11.252. NEIC has 39 members, including staff, parents, business, and community members. The purpose of NEIC is to involve professional staff, parents, and community members in establishing and reviewing the district's and campuses' educational plans, goals, performance objectives, and major classroom instructional programs. Staff are elected for a two-year term by their staff peers; parents, business, and community members are appointed by the Board for a two-year term. NEIC meets at 6:00 p.m. on the 1st Tuesday of each month, in the Northside Board Room at 5900 Evers Road, unless otherwise posted. Meetings are open to the public. Items to be considered for the agenda may be submitted to either Priscilla Paul, NEIC President, at Brauchle Elementary School, (397-1500) or Linda Mora, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, at Central Office, 5900 Evers Road, 78238 (397-8635). Minutes of all meetings are posted at Central Office and at each school.

I. 6:00 General Meeting Called to Order

II. Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2006

III. Board Policy FFA (Local) Student Welfare: Wellness and Health Services

The Child Nutrition and WIC Reauthorization Act of 2004 authorizes and mandates that school districts who participate in the federal school lunch program to establish a local school wellness policy. The School Health Advisory Council has been working on this policy under the direction of Linda Seewald, Carol Rippa, and Shirley Schreiber.

IV. TAKS Preliminary Data

On March 6 Testing and Evaluation Department received the results for the first assessment in English Reading for 3rd and 5th grades. We are extremely pleased with the results. 10,572 students were tested which is 740 more students than were tested in Spring 2005. Even with the increased student enrollment, 92% of the 3rd graders and 87% of the 5th graders met the passing standard.

When compared to the 2005 results for the same grades, we maintained the passing rate at 92% at 3rd grade. At 5th grade we had a 6% increase from 81% in 2005 to 87% passing this year. A chart outlining the results of the individual campuses is enclosed.

V. Governor's Education Excellence Award Grant Program

Anson Jones Middle School is one of 100 campuses in the state to receive a grant from the Governor's Education Excellence Award. The award is intended to reward campuses with high percentages of economically disadvantaged students

that have achieved outstanding performance or marked improvement in student achievement. A school committee has worked on the recommended process to allocate the funds.

VI. Updated Calendar for 2006-2007

The 2006-07 school calendar has been modified to address several issues brought forward from the community and staff. The final copy is enclosed.

VII. Other Issues

VIII. Adjourn

NEIC MEMBERS:

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES:

Primary: Mary Adams, Carson Elem.; JoAnn Campbell, Boone Elem.. Intermediate: Linda L. Williams, Howsman; Angela Fry, Knowlton . Elementary Specialist: Diana Aguilar, Ed Cody Elementary. Middle School (Academic Core): Lisa Holmes, Jordan M.S.; Cynthia Herrera, Sul Ross M.S.; (Other): Chris DeArmond, Pease M.S. High School (Academic Core): Terry Zablocki, Warren High School; Lourdes J. Medina, Warren High School. (Business): Carolyn Mullins, Business Careers High School (Other): Brad Hebert, Health Careers High School. Special Campuses: Vicki Sills, N.S. Children's Center: Counselors: Priscilla Paul, Brauchle/Timberwilde. Librarians: Laura Lara, Ward Elementary,. Nurses: Maureen Lopez, Galm Elementary. Elementary Administration: M. LaNeil Belko, Brauchle Elem. Secondary Administration: Don Pittman, Warren H.S.. District-Level Prof. Staff : R.C. Rodriguez, Dir., Bilingual/ESL; Paraprofessionals: Marie Ybarra, Ed Cody Elementary

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES: Kim Neal, David Gannon, Dr. Bill Clark, Dr. Bette Austin, Nancy Medrano, Patricia Hitch

PTA COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Meri Ann Christopher

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: Joe O'Brien, Christine Hernandez, Janet Beauch, Leonard Preston

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: Bill Singleton, Candice Muster, John Salmons