

NORTHSIDE EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

AGENDA

Tuesday, November 7, 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 Kristi Bolstad, NEIC President, at Connally Middle School, (397-1000) or Linda Mora, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, at Central Office, 5900 Evers Road, 78238 (397-8635). Agendas of all meetings are posted at Central Office and at each school; minutes of all meetings are posted at each school.

I. Approval of Minutes from September 19, 2006

II. Update on High School Allotments

High school principals have been diligently working on their schools individual plans to using the high school allotment funds. An update will be provided to inform NEIC about the campus plans for use of the money.

III. Impact of the 4x4 High School Requirement

Legislation was passed requiring four high school credits in English Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, and Science. This update will provide information on the current stance of the State Board of Education regarding the implementation and implications of this mandate.

IV. Waiver for Early Release on January 19, 2007 for Stevens High School

During January 19-20, 2007, Stevens High School will host the Region IV Academic Decathlon. Approximately 100 students from the region will participate in this academic competition. Staff members and teachers will be needed to serve as judges, runners, and other duties to ensure that the competition runs smoothly. It is recommended that Northside ISD apply for an expedited waiver from the Texas Education Agency to allow Stevens High School to dismiss students at noon on Friday, January 19, 2007.

V. Demonstration of E-Gradebook

Doug Shudde and Barbara Parisher will demonstrate the Elementary Electronic Gradebook.

VI. Discussion of 2006 Gold Performance Acknowledgement Awards

The Texas Education Agency has released the list of schools who received Gold Performance Acknowledgements (GPA). The GPA system acknowledges districts and campuses for high performance on indicators other than those used to determine accountability ratings. There are a total of 12 possible indicators at the district level. Some indicators are specific to certain grade levels. Attached is an overview of the GPA system taken directly from the *2006 Accountability Manual*. The overview gives a short description of each indicator and the standard.

VII. Other Issues

VIII. Adjourn

NEIC MEMBERS:

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES:

Primary: Mary Adams, Carson Elem.; Jill Palmer, Helotes. Intermediate: Wendi Costas, Blattman; Angela Fry, Knowlton. Elementary Specialist: Diana Aguilar, Ed Cody Elementary. Middle School (Academic Core): Lisa Holmes, Jordan M.S.; Kristi Bolstad, Connally M.S.; (Other):Cindy Plunkett, Pease M.S. High School (Academic Core): Romy Vela, Jay H.S.; Dori Peterson, Stevens H.S.. (Business): Carolyn Mullins, Business Careers High School (Other): Brad Hebert, Health Careers High School. Special Campuses: Vicki Sills, N.S. Children's Center: Counselors: Melynn Young, Connally M.S.. Librarians: Laura Lara, Ward Elementary,. Nurses: Maureen Lopez, Galm Elementary. Elementary Administration: M. LaNeil Belko, Ward Elem. Secondary Administration: Susan M. Allain, Connally M.S., District-Level Prof. Staff : Rosemary Perez, Dir., Compensatory; Paraprofessionals: Robbie Bland, Mead Elementary

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES: Kim Neal, David Gannon, Dr. Bette Austin, Elizabeth Moffett

PTA COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Meri Ann Cbristopher

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: Karen Nance, Christi Evans, Mathlide Scully, David Maze

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: Matt Foxhaff, Candice Muster

President – Kristi Bolstad; Vice President – Matt Foxhaff; Secretary – Jill Palmer