

Northside Educational Improvement Council

The December 4, 2001 meeting of NEIC was called to order by President Rebecca Barron-Flores at 6:06 p.m.

Members present: Mary Adams, Diane Aguilar, Mary Bailey, Rebecca Barron-Flores, Renee Baird, Lynn Britton, Yvonne Fernandez, Mary Helen Garcia, Janis Griffin, Patty Hill, Laura Hinton, Christine Johnson, Roxanne King, Thomas Koog Jr, Annette Lopez, Dr. Sybil Morgan, Jodie Meyer, Don Nance, Sheryl Parker, Rosemary Perez, Elaine Rodriguez, Jose Sanchez, Pat Strawn, George Terrell, Etta Tricksey, Joy Ulcak, Beth Ann Willstrop.

Staff Members present: Pat Blattman, Eleanor Elder, Richard Krueger, JoAnne Reddell

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the November 6th meeting were corrected to indicate the non-attendance of JoHanna Rogers. The revised minutes were then approved unanimously.

II. DEC VISIT UPDATE

Pat Blattman presented information regarding the results of the DEC visit during the week of November 12. Ms. Blattman indicated that the 42 members of the visiting team were very impressed with Northside ISD. The informal report stated that NISD is a child centered district, supports special needs students, has enthusiastic teachers, and many hard working, dedicated staff. The visit was a very positive one.

III. SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH INPUT

JoAnne Reddell, Executive Director for Organizational and Staff Development lead NEIC members in an activity allowing for input on what factors we considered to be of primary importance in identifying a new Superintendent for Northside ISD. The activity allowed NEIC members to state what they believe should be continued, what should be stopped, and what should be started.

IV. AEIS REPORT

Pat Blattman guided NEIC members through the annual report, the Academic Excellence Indicator System Report (AEIS), provided by TEA to every district and every campus on student performance, attendance, dropout rate, student and staff demographics and other information. State law requires that a public meeting be held with NEIC and the Board to review the report. This review fulfilled this part of the requirement. The Board will receive the AEIS report during the next board meeting.

V. 2002-2003 and 2003-2004 CALENDAR INPUT

Two calendar drafts for each of the next two years has been created and reviewed by the Northside Communication Network (NCN). NEIC members considered each of the drafts. Ms. Blattman reported that current state law prohibits school districts from starting school prior to the week containing August 21. Discussion was held about the merits of each draft. Three votes were taken. In the first vote Mary Bailey moved that NEIC members recommend Draft B to the Board. Thomas Koog, Jr. seconded the motion. The vote for Draft B was 10 YES and 14 No. More discussion was held concerning student input and that the middle schools had not seen Draft D. Dr. Sybil Morgan motioned that NEIC recommend to the Board Draft A. Beth Ann Willstrop seconded the motion. The vote was 9 YES, 14 No and 2 abstained. A third vote was held. Annette Lopez moved that NEIC members recommend Draft D to the Board. Elaine Rodriguez seconded the motion. The vote as 16 YES, 7 NO and 2 abstained. Dr. Sybil Morgan then moved that we find some way to access parent input on this issue about the calendar. Yvonne Fernandez seconded the motion. Discussion suggested that maybe PTA's could present the information to parents and call in a vote to Ms. Blattman's office. It was also suggested that NEIC members could phone 10 parents and then call in their poll results. The vote as 13 YES, 7 NO, and 4 abstained. The NEIC roster was then passed around to register NEIC members votes. Results were 14 for Draft D, 2 for Draft B, 6 for Draft A and 1 abstained. These results were to be presented to Mr. Rawlinson.

VI. Other Issues

The next meeting for NEIC members will be January 8, 2002.

VII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Don Nance and seconded by Lynn Britton. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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 on the 1st Tuesday of each month unless otherwise posted. Meetings are open to the public. Items to be considered for the agenda may be submitted to either Rebecca Barron-Flores, President, at Locke Hill Elementary School (561-5055) or Pat Blattman, Deputy Superintendent for Instruction, at Central Office, 5900 Evers Road, 78238 (706-8635). Agendas and minutes of all meetings are posted at Central Office and at each school.

APPROVED

NEIC MEMBERS:**STAFF REPRESENTATIVES:**

Primary: Mary Adams, Carson Elem.; Joy Ulcak, Boone. Intermediate: Sara Roe, Raba; Annette Lopez, Brauchle. Elementary Specialist: Diane Aguilar, Ed Cody. Middle School (Academic Core): Thomas Koog, Connally; Elaine Rodriguez; Jordan Middle School (Other): Renee Baird, Stevenson. High School (Academic Core): Lynn Britton, Jay; High School (Business): Sheryl Parker, Business Careers. High School (Other): Beth Ann Willstrop, Health Careers. Special Campuses: Laura Hinton, N.V.T.P. Counselors: Christine Johnson, Pat Neff MS. Librarians: Pat Strawn, Jay. Nurses: Jodie Meyer, Oak Hills Terrace, Elementary Administration: Rebecca Barron-Flores, Locke Hill Elem. Secondary Administration: Patty Hill, Warren H.S. CO Professional Staff: Rosemary Perez, Compensatory Programs; Paraprofessionals: Roxanne King, Pat Neff M.S.

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES: Roger Ayala, Tammy French, Mary Helen Garcia, Janis Griffin

PTA COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Lois Pearson

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: Terry Condon, Sharon Itz, Dr. Sybil Morgan, George Terrell, Etta Tricksey, Jose Sanchez, Alex Travieso

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: Don Nance, Johanna Rogers, Yvonne Fernandez, Eddie Barron