

Northside Educational Improvement Council

The August 6, 2002 meeting of NEIC was called to order by President Rebecca Baron-Flores at 6:02 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Adams, Diane Aguilar, Rebecca Baron-Flores, Lynn Britton, Yvonne Fernandez, Christine Johnson, Thomas Koog, Jr., Dr. Sybil Morgan, Don Nance, Sheryl Parker, Lois Pearson, Rosemary Perez, Sara Roe, Jose Sanchez, Pat Strawn, George Terrell, Alex Travieso

Staff Members Present: Dr. John Folks, Linda Mora, Eleanor Elder, Richard Krueger, Pat Teicher, Sandra Poth

I. Welcome and Introductions

Dr. John Folks, new Superintendent for Northside, was introduced to the members of NEIC. After a brief welcoming statement he introduced Linda Mora, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. Linda Mora gave a brief introduction and asked if NEIC members would introduce themselves and tell the group whom they represented.

II. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Alex Travieso to accept the minutes of the May 7th meeting as written. It was seconded by Mary Adams. Motion passed.

III. Review of BQA (Local) Board Policy

Linda Mora advised the NEIC members that several typographical errors were going to be corrected in the Board Policy. She advised the members that there were 7 Board appointed vacancies and 9 staff vacancies that would need to be filled. Mrs. Mora proposed a change in the election procedures in order for terms of service to coincide with school years. The schedule for elections will be in the early fall-by September 11th. Board members will have a September 3rd deadline to submit names for vacancies. Memos have been sent to all principals advising them of the change in nomination and election dates. Several suggestions were made by NEIC members. Mr. Nance suggested having elections in the spring. Lois Pearson suggested having nominations in the spring with elections in August. Tom Koog suggested that incumbents that chose to run again for a 2nd term not complete the required paperwork but just update previous information and return with a signature. Other proposals for changes will be presented at a future NEIC meeting.

IV. 2001-2002 Preliminary School Ratings

Dr. Eleanor Elder and Richard Krueger presented the preliminary ratings for Northside schools. Northside had 8 Exemplary schools-7 Elementary and 1 High school. We had 34 Recognized campuses-26 Elementary, 5 Middle Schools, and 3 High Schools.

Rosemary Perez congratulated 12 Title 1 Elementary schools and 1 Middle school for making Recognized.

V. TAAS to TAKS Transition

Sandra Poth, Director of Testing and Evaluation, presented information indicating new changes, additions made in the testing schedule for TAKS. The new TAKS assessment program will have more tests in more grades. It will include a completion rate that will track students entered in the 9th grade with the expectation of completing in 4 years. By 2005 SDAA will be in the high schools and the Student Success Initiative will have been implemented in grades 3 and 5. The No Child Left Behind is using the Texas model for assessment.

VI. Other items

NEIC members, members of selected Campus Planning and Decision- Making committees (SAT), randomly selected teachers, the district's Specialists for bilingual and special education and 2 other business and/or Community patrons will need to complete an on-line survey no later than September 3, 2002.

The next meeting for NEIC is tentatively set for October 1, 2002.

VII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Don Nance and seconded by Christine Johnson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 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 Linda Mora, Deputy Superintendent for Curriculum & 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.

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, Janice Griffin

PTA COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Lois Pearson

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

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: Johanna Rogers, Yvonne Fernandez, Eddie Barron