

Northside Educational Improvement Council

The September 7, 2004 meeting of the NEIC was called to order by President Rebecca Barron-Flores at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mary Adams, Rose Barrios, Rebecca Barron-Flores, Janet Beach, Gretchen Bernabei, Kristi Bolstad, Sharon Christensen, Patty Conlin, Kim DeCock, Dave Gannon, Christine Hernandez, Patricia Hitch, Linda Koehler, Kathy Lindley, Lourdes Medina, Priscilla Paul, Cindy Plunkett, Sue Richards, R.C. Rodriguez, Jose Sanchez, Sharon Thornton, Alex Travieso, and Diane Aguilar.

Staff Members Present: Dr. Folks, George Torres, Sara McAndrew, Lynda Reyes, Sallie Lewis, and Carol Rippa

I. Approval of Minutes from June 1, 2004.

Linda Koehler moved that the minutes be approved as written. R.C. Rodriguez seconded the motion. Motion approved.

II. Cost of Implementing NCLB

Sara McAndrew outlined 10 areas of expense to include the creation of a data delivery system down to the campus level, an observation protocol for LEP students, and HR subsystems to provide data analysis related to highly qualified teachers and paraprofessionals. Right now NISD has 99.8% of its teachers at the highly qualified level. Also, salary stipends for IAs were calculated as were TAKS Blitz programs that proved highly successful. All in all, the total cost of time and work to implement the NCLB is \$494, 116.

III. TAKS Results

Sara Mc Andrew and Lynda Reyes presented the latest district results on the TAKS. The final results will be in November. NISD consistently scored higher than the Texas average. A focus is placed on middle school mathematics. Tenth grade scores are used for AYP.

IV. District Strategic Improvement Plan Executive Summary

Sallie Lewis reviewed the plan and took input from the committee for Year 2 activities which are being developed.

V. Update of Foods of Minimum Nutritional Value (FMNV)

Carol Rippa provided information for all levels: Elementary cannot serve FMNV at any time during the school day. They will get 3 “party” days which will go on file at CO. Parents are allowed to send cupcakes for their child’s birthday to school. Middle school and High school can serve/sell FMNV after the last lunch period each day. High schools can hold their food fests if they conduct them in a place where food is neither sold nor consumed on a regular basis. TAKS snacks are okay. Food related to IEPS is okay. The main categories of FMNV are gum, carbonated drinks, all candy, and frozen treats not made of 100% fruit juice.

VI. NEIC Elections

Sara McAndrew updated the committee on which positions are vacant and the election process for the NEIC. Elections will be held Thursday, September 9, 2004.

VII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by R.C. Rodriguez and seconded by Sue Richards. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

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 Rebecca Barron-Flores, NEIC President, at Passmore Elementary School, (678-2800) 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.

NEIC MEMBERS:

STAFF REPRESENTATIVES:

Primary: Mary Adams, Carson Elem.; Kelly Mantle, Howsman. Intermediate: Rose Barrios, Leon Valley; Sharon Michael-Chadwell, Raba Elementary Specialist: Linda P. Koehler, Howsman/Ward Elementary. Middle School (Academic Core): Sue Richards, Connally M.S.; Kristi Bolstad, Connally M.S.; (Other): Cindy Plunkett, Pease M.S. High School (Academic Core): Sharon A. Christensen, Jay; Gretchen Bernabei, O'Connor High School. Marie Ramirez, Warren H.S. High School (Business): High School (Other): Lourdes J. Medina, Warren High School. Special Campuses: Elizabeth Maldonado, N.S. Alt. M.S. North Counselors: Priscilla Paul, Brauchle. Librarians: Kathy Lindley, Pat Neff M.S.,. Nurses: Patty Conlin, Stevenson Middle School. Elementary Administration: Rebecca Barron-Flores, Passmore Elem. Secondary Administration: Brian Woods, Clark H.S.. CO Professional Staff: R.C. Rodriguez, Dir., Bilingual/ESL; Paraprofessionals: Sharon Thornton, Northside Habilitation Program.

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

PTA COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES: Kim DeCock

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES: Terry Condon, Jose Sanchez, George Terrell,, Alex Travieso, Christine Hernandez, Janet Beauch, Phil Lange

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: Danny Adams, Bill Singleton

NEIC Officers: Rebecca Barron-Flores, President; Alex Travieso, Vice President; Sharon Christensen, Secretary.