

AISD DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL
Summary of Regular Meeting
February 28, 2005

ATTENDANCE

Member Attendance

(See attached list)

Others in Attendance

Pat Forgione, Larry Throm, John Moore, Charlotte Winkelmann, Janis Guerrero, Joey Crumley

PROCEEDINGS

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:08 p.m. in the Board Auditorium of the Carruth Administration Center.

Citizens Communications

There were no citizen communications.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January 18, 2005 regular meeting were approved as submitted.

Title I Allocations

- Julie Lyons, Director of State and Federal Accountability, discussed federal Title I funding and went over a list of campuses proposed to receive that funding. She pointed out that Kocurek and Pillow would be new to the list.
- Ms. Lyons explained that local allocation of funding was based on free and reduced lunch percentages at campuses. She said she would be coming back in June with actual dollar amounts proposed for allocation.

Budget Development Process

- Larry Throm, Chief Financial Officer, began by saying there may be some room for optimism this coming budget year. Although enrollment increases and the staffing of new schools will create more budgetary demands, the local economy is improving and the district's taxable value has increased.
- Mr. Throm stated that the largest unknown at this time is what the Legislature will do about school financing. He felt the Board was unlikely to spend any more from fund balance, since fund balance relates to the district's financial standing.
- Mr. Throm explained that the Board has already adopted budget assumptions, priorities, and staffing ratios.

Safety and Character Education

- John Moore, Executive Director of Educational Support, explained that the recommendations of the Safety Task Force, among other things, included character

education. He said that a special tool kit had been put together to help teachers in implementing character education into the classroom.

- Mr. Moore said that the Character Education Touchstone (a set of ten character traits desired for all students) would be implemented over the next two years, with each of the ten character traits being highlighted over two-month periods through various campus and district activities.
- Mr. Moore explained that each campus will, in its next Campus Improvement Plan, be required to include goals and related strategies on safety and character education.

Superintendent's Update

- Dr. Forgione announced that the joint public hearing with the Board on the District Report Card would need to be cancelled due to failure to properly provide public notification in the local newspaper. He said the hearing would be rescheduled soon.
- Dr. Forgione provided a list of district schools showing campus per-pupil allocations of local funding. He noted that the schools in greatest need were generally receiving the greatest per-pupil funding allocations. He said with federal dollars added, those schools would be receiving even more.
- Dr. Forgione announced that he will be forming his Budget Task Force soon. He also stressed the uncertainty at this time over possible legislative action regarding school financing.

DAC Budget Priorities

- The DAC initiated discussion of its priorities for the 2005-2006 district budget. The priorities developed by the DAC will be forwarded to the Budget Task Force for consideration. Discussion materials included the Board's current budget priorities, last year's DAC budget priorities, and the DAC's strategic planning priorities.
- DAC members discussed several points, including:
 - Whether to build off of their last year's priorities or start from scratch
 - Staffing ratios
 - Basic Tables of Organization (BTOs – campus budgets)
 - Class sizes
 - High school redesign
 - English Language Learners (ELLs)
 - Need-based resource allocation
- The co-chairs stated that the Executive Committee would continue discussion and bring recommendations back to the full DAC.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

AISD District Advisory Council Member List and Attendance (Rev. 12/02/04)	2004					2005					
	6/15	8/17	9/23	10/19	11/16	1/18	2/28				
<i>Vacancy, Parent*</i>											
Lizel Santiago, Teacher, Kealing JH (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Shawn Tyson, Teacher, Kealing JH (2/2)					✓						
REAGAN VERTICAL TEAM											
<i>Vacancy, Parent</i>											
<i>Vacancy, Parent*</i>											
Sue Shoopman, Teacher, Barrington ES (1/1)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓				
Courtney Luedtke, Teacher, Graham ES (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
TRAVIS VERTICAL TEAM											
Ramon DeJesus , Parent, Travis HS (4/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Adolphus Anderson, Parent, Rodriguez ES (1/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
<i>Vacancy, Teacher</i>											
Douglas Rhodenbaugh, Teacher, Fulmore MS (1/2)		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓				
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS											
Rosalie Oliveri, Allison ES (1/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Janie Ruiz, Becker ES (1/2)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Pat Butler, Mills ES (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS											
Jane Ross , Pearce MS (3/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Julia Fletcher, Bailey MS (1/1)	N/A	N/A		✓	✓	✓	✓				
HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL											
Barbara Spelman, Austin HS (1/1)			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
ACPTA REPRESENTATIVES											
<i>Vacancy, South</i>											
Colin "CJ" Carl, North (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES											
Suzanne Stein (3/1*)	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓					
Amy Averett (1/1*)	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓						
BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE											
Linda Klar, Time Warner Cable (1/1*)	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓				
CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE											
Ruffina "BB" Coffill, St. Elmo ES (1/1*)	✓	✓	✓	✓							
DISTRICT-LEVEL PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE											
Julie Lyons, Accountability (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
AT-LARGE MEMBERS											
Alberto Gonzalez, Parent, Fulmore MS (2/1*)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Pascual Piedfort (2/2*)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
Vicki Baldwin, Principal, Garza HS (2/1*)	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPRESENTATIVE (ex officio)											
Johna Edwards (2/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓				

= Total number of terms appointed/Year of current term

* = Appointed by DAC Executive Committee

Name in Bold = Co-Chair