

AISD DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL
Summary of Regular Meeting (*Revised*)
June 16, 2009

ATTENDANCE

Member Attendance

(See attached list)

Others in Attendance

Joey Crumley, AISD, Planning & Community Relations
Dr. Janis Guerrero, AISD, Planning & Community Relations
Jane Nethercut, AISD, Educational Support Services
Dr. Nancy Phillips, AISD, Accountability
Dr. Ann Smisko, AISD, Curriculum & Instruction

PROCEEDINGS

Call to Order

- The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. in the Board Auditorium of the Carruth Administration Center.
- Dr. Jane Ross introduced several new members of the DAC.

Approval of Minutes

- The minutes of the May 19, 2009 regular meeting were approved as submitted.

Citizens Communications

- There were no citizens communications.

Superintendent's Update

- Dr. Forgione thanked the DAC for showing its appreciation of him.
- Dr. Forgione reported that a lot of good progress was evident in the preliminary student performance results.
- Dr. Forgione encouraged the DAC to work in close cooperation with Dr. Carstarphen as she starts out in her new position.
- Dr. Forgione wished everyone a great end of the school year.

Update on Positive Behavior Support (PBS) Program

- Jane Nethercut, PBS Coordinator, stated that PBS promotes safe, civil, and productive learning environments. She explained that PBS may look somewhat different across campuses, but the basic program model provides supports at the student, classroom, and campus levels.
- Ms. Nethercut stressed that there is a definite link between PBS and academic achievement. She said that there is also a direct connection to ultimately saving the district money that would be spent on corrections or lost to non-attendance.
- Ms. Nethercut stated that the success of PBS is also evident in Student Climate Survey results, and in district and campus discipline data.

- Ms. Nethercut explained that the PBS staff team includes several areas of expertise which is spread out effectively across the district.
- Ms. Nethercut stated that the program is gaining more and more national attention. She also stated that ACCESS grant funding has helped develop the program even further, but the grant funding will soon be ending.
- Discussion points included:
 - Campuses vary in level of adherence to the model but a certification process is currently being developed to recognize fidelity to the program
 - PBS is now part of principal evaluations
 - Need to implement the program at every campus and with equity
 - Even schools with lower rates of behavioral problems are recognizing the benefits of the program
 - For schools with PBS, there is less disproportionality in disciplinary actions
 - The program currently has 15 staff members plus a coordinator
 - How do you know when enough has been done?
 - The program always look at the data to assess the needs
 - Targets are in place that are assessed quarterly
 - Schools receive a lot of reinforcement for every step forward

Proposed 2009-2010 Title I Funding Allocations

- Dr. Nancy Phillips, Director of State and Federal Accountability, reported that the total federal allocation for 2009-2010 for the district is \$24.7 million, up about \$3 million from last year.
- Dr. Phillips stated that of the total, \$14.4 million is proposed to be allocated to 68 campuses, averaging about \$216,000 per campus. The remainder is proposed to be allocated to various central supports.
- Dr. Phillips also provided information recently presented to the Board on the AARA (Recovery Act). She explained that this represented another source of funding which was still under consideration by the district.
- Dr. Phillips clarified that she was seeking a recommendation from the DAC for the Board to approve the proposed Title I funding allocations.
- Discussion points included:
 - Need a greater understanding of the details
 - Need to get started on considering this earlier
 - Campus allocations are based on the number of students on free or reduced lunch residing within various attendance zones, not on actual school enrollments
 - Accepting Title I funding triggers compliance with NCLB requirements
 - Need to make sure we use the dollars in the wisest ways
 - It is possible to change the district allocation system
 - Can the DAC also make a recommendation to the Board on the ARRA funding
 - The item on the agenda is for the DAC to recommend approval of Title I funding allocations, not to provide recommendations on the ARRA funding
- A vote was called on whether to recommend approval of the proposed Title I funding allocations, and the DAC voted 17-10 in favor. (Vicki Black requested recording a dissenting vote.)

Proposed 2009-2010 Professional Development Plan

- Dr. Ann Smisko, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, explained that her original intent was to bring a proposed revision to the 2009-2010 Professional Development Plan to the DAC for approval, but it had come to her attention that the plan itself had never been brought to the DAC.
- Dr. Smisko apologized for this oversight, and committed to process improvements for the next year and to provide the DAC with a more meaningful role in development of the plan.
- Dr. Smisko explained that the revision to the plan related to the replacement of a half-day of campus professional development activities on August 18 with a district-wide convocation of all staff members, as requested by Dr. Carstarphen.
- Discussion points included:
 - The Professional Development Plan is just one example of how the DAC is asked to rubber stamp things that have already been decided
 - The plan does not provide enough information on the professional development activities – it is essentially just a calendar
 - The planning process for professional development needs to get started earlier
 - The convocation does not seem like professional development
 - The loss of a half-day of professional development on campus will be a big concern to many schools
 - Given travel times and traffic, the convocation will probably take up more than a half-day
 - There will probably be a lot of public concern expressed over the cost of the convocation
 - The decisions have already been made, so why is the DAC being asked to provide its approval
 - The DAC should actually consider giving its disapproval
- The DAC moved to not support the use of professional development days as proposed.

Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

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| AKINS VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| ★Ramon DeJesus, Parent, Akins HS (7/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Adolphus Anderson, Parent, Akins HS (4/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Maria (Lupe) Ramos, Teacher, Perez ES (2/1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jamie Heilingoetter, Teacher, Langford ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| ANDERSON VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Narda Fisher, Parent, Hill ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Laura Tuma, Parent, Murchison MS (3/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Alicia Hill, Teacher, Doss ES (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Kallie Jones, Teacher, Anderson HS (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| AUSTIN VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Michael Supancic, Parent, Austin HS (1/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Frank Simonetti, Parent, Mills ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Douglas Rhodenbaugh, Teacher, Austin HS (4/1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dounna Poth, Teacher, Patton ES (1/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| BOWIE VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Doug Jansen Parent, Bailey MS (1/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Donna Casteel, Parent, Bowie HS (2/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vicki Everett, Teacher, Bailey MS (3/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pam Martin, Counselor, Clayton ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| CROCKETT VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Julia Ragsdale, Parent, Joslin ES (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Kevin Manzke, Parent, Cunningham ES (2/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Linda Johnson, Teacher, Odom ES (3/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Beth Ann Cole, Teacher, Boone ES (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| EASTSIDE MEMORIAL VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Vacancy, Parent</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Sarah Robertson, Teacher, Metz ES (2/1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mary Alsobrook, Teacher, Allan ES (1/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| LANIER VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Darin Mattke, Parent, McBee ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Vacancy, Parent</i> | | | | | | | | | | |

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| <i>Vacancy, Teacher</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Paul Mitchell, Teacher, Lanier HS (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| LBJ VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Betty Johnson, Parent, Pearce MS (2/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Betty Williams, Parent, Garcia MS (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Susan Levett, Teacher, Andrews ES (2/1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Jon David Saucedo, Teacher, Sims ES (2/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| McCALLUM VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Varshna Narumanchi-Jackson, Parent, Lee ES (3/1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kathy Golden, Parent, McCallum HS (2/1) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Frederick Bentley, Kealing MS (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mary Ghazinezhadiansh, Teacher, McCallum HS (2/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| REAGAN VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bernice Herrera, Parent, Graham ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Anthony Mitchell, Walnut Creek ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Margaretta Simmons, Teacher, Graham ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Kathy Ryan, Teacher, Hart ES (2/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| TRAVIS VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Chris Hoerster, Parent, Linder ES (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Vickie Black, Parent, Fulmore MS (5/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Carla Lantz, Teacher, Mendez MS (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sophia Sherline, Teacher, Travis HS (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| SPECIAL CAMPUSES VERTICAL TEAM | | | | | | | | | | |
| Buddy Owen, Parent, LASA (6/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| LaDonna Massad, Parent, LASA (2/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Angela Hinz, Teacher, International HS (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Martha Dolman, Teacher, ALC (2/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Linda Purvis, Baranoff ES (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Shannon Sellstrom, Dawson ES (2/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Janie Ruiz, Gullett ES (4/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sherry Lepine, Small MS (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lisa Bush, Fulmore MS (1/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |

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| HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL | | | | | | | | | | |
| Julieanne Arreola, Akins HS (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| ACPTA REPRESENTATIVES | | | | | | | | | | |
| Pascual Piedfort (5/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Vacancy</i> | | | | | | | | | | |
| COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wayne Krause, Texas Civil Rights Project (2/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Jill Stimson (2/1) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Linda Klar, Klar Communications (3/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Earlynn Williams, Student Services (1/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| DISTRICT-LEVEL PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE | | | | | | | | | | |
| ★ Jane Ross, PBS Specialist (5/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| AT-LARGE MEMBERS | | | | | | | | | | |
| Alberto Gonzalez, Parent, LASA (4/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Dennis Petrash, Parent, Patton ES (2/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| Mollie Guion, Instructional Specialist, Martin MS (2/2) | ✓ | | | | | | | | | |
| STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mallory Catherine Bayer, LASA (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| Grant McClure, McCallum HS (1/2) | | | | | | | | | | |
| BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPRESENTATIVE | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lori Moya, District 6, Secretary | | | | | | | | | | |
| SPECIAL EDUCATION CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE LIAISON | | | | | | | | | | |
| Gerard Jimenez | | | | | | | | | | |

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