



Advocacy Advisory Committee

October 23, 2024

Meeting Minutes

The Advocacy Advisory Committee (AAC) met via Zoom on October 23, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.

The following attended the meeting:

AAC members: Sandy Dochen, Gabriel Estrada, Lisa Adams, Shannon Grethel, Lisa Hernandez, Heidi Langan, Sarah Levithan Daniels, Blanca Galvez, Karen Foree, Angel Vales Lara, Daphne Hoffacker, and Joshua Jeon

AISD Trustees and Staff: Trustee Lynn Boswell and Edna Butts,

The meeting was called to order by Co-Chair Joshua Jeon at 4:03 p.m. There was no public comment.

There was a motion by Sandy Dochen and seconded by Sarah Levithan Daniels to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2024 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The committee approved the appointment of new Co-Chairs, Sarah Levithan Daniels and Angel Vales Lara.

Trustee Lynn Boswell led a discussion about the upcoming election. She also provided a briefing on the Board of Trustees upcoming consideration of the legislative priorities for the 89th legislative session.

Trustee Boswell also informed the committee that the committee may be expanded to include two students from each high school instead of the current one student, and to add a representative from each of the six chamber of commerce groups in Austin.

Edna Butts provided a brief overview of the upcoming 89th legislative session and some of the legislation that may be considered relating to public education. She also provided information about underfunded mandates and per student funding.

The possibility of an in person meeting with Austin area legislators at the Capitol on December 10 or 11 was discussed. The AAC discussed meeting again in November.

The meeting adjourned at 5:23 p.m.