AISD DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL
Summary of Executive Committee Meeting
November 9, 2017

ATTENDANCE

Executive Committee Members Present:
Andy Anderson, Genevieve Dell, Blanca Galvez-Perez, LaDonna Massad, Maya McElroy, Shannon Meroney, Paul Mitchell, Vera Muñiz, Mario Piña, Dr. Jane Ross

Executive Committee Members Absent:
Connor Fiero, Alberto Gonzalez, Shannon Sellstrom

Others in Attendance:
Joey Crumley, AICP, Campus and District Accountability
Dr. Gloria Williams, School, Family, and Community

PROCEEDINGS

Preliminaries

- The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. in Conference Room A-300 of the Carruth Administration Center.
- Members expressed their gratitude to Austin voters for overwhelmingly supporting the district's bond proposition.
- Joey Crumley provided statewide election results of school bond propositions.

Superintendent's Update

- Dr. Cruz was unable to attend the meeting.

Proposed 2018-2019 District Calendars

- Dr. Gloria Williams, Executive Director of the Office of School, Family, and Community, went over three calendar options developed by the Calendar Task Force. The main differences between the calendars were the number of days off for Thanksgiving and winter break. One calendar option would have school end prior to Memorial day.
- Dr. Williams reported that 56,000 people received preference surveys, and there were already many responses.
- Discussion points included:
    - ☞ These are base annual calendars required by state law – District of Innovation days are a separate issue
    - ☞ The task force seems more open to options than in previous years
- Members marked ballots for their preferred calendars.

Agenda Planning and DAC Operations

- Based on requests from DAC members, the following agenda decisions were made:
    - ☞ Place a Dual Language presentation on the November 28 agenda (or, if that's not doable, at the earliest possible date)
    - ☞ Put on the pending items list for spring a discussion of why and how PK student attendance is staggered the first week of school
- Based on a request from staff, the Executive Committee placed an update on charter school enrollments and district demographics on the November 28 agenda.
- The Executive Committee directed that an update on Diversity by Design be placed on the agenda in the very near future.
- Based on requests from Executive Committee members, the following decisions were reached related to DAC operations:
    - ☞ No longer show all member email addresses on DAC communications

- ☞ Do not change historical practice of self-nomination for DAC co-chair and Executive Committee member positions by a set date – do not allow write-in votes – and formalize this in writing in DAC bylaws
- ☞ Do not amend current language in DAC bylaws to remove the requirement for one year of prior service to be eligible for co-chair and Executive Committee positions

Other Business

- The minutes of the September 19, 2017 regular meeting and the October 17, 2017 annual retreat were approved.
- Mr. Crumley stated that, according to district policy, the DAC must meet at least once a year at a campus with its CAC. He provided a list of previous DAC meetings at campuses. The Executive Committee decided to hold the January 16 meeting at Small Middle School, and identified Fulmore Middle School as a backup choice.
- Mr. Crumley brought a proposed bylaws amendment to include provisions for excused absences at DAC meetings. The Executive Committee agreed to the bylaws change.
- Informed by input provided by DAC members at the annual retreat, the Executive Committee identified the following 2018-2019 strategic budget priorities to forward to district administration:
  - ☞ Literacy
  - ☞ Ensuring that all campuses have the right leadership
  - ☞ Capital improvements and technology
  - ☞ Safe learning and working environments

Conclusion

- The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.