

<p style="text-align: center;">AISD DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL Summary of Regular Meeting November 15, 2016</p>

ATTENDANCE

Member Attendance

(See attached list)

Others in Attendance

Julie Cowan, Board of Trustees

Joey Crumley, Campus and District Accountability

Ky Goodman, UT Student

Carolyn Hanschen, Campus and District Accountability

Mayra Lopez, Zavala Elementary School

Carla Roberson, School, Family, and Community

Carlos Urrutia, Blackshear Elementary School

Yasmin Wagner, Board of Trustees

PROCEEDINGS

Preliminaries

- The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jane Ross at 4:35 p.m. in the Board Auditorium of the Carruth Administration Center.
- Dr. Ross acknowledged Trustees who were present.
- There were no citizen communications.
- Dr. Ross asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of Carol Chapman.

District Calendar for 2017-2018

- Joey Crumley and DAC member Jim Wetter represented the Calendar Task Force.
- Mr. Crumley said that there were three calendar options for consideration, but all three had to meet some basic requirements, including 177 days for students and 187 days for teachers, and the first day of school must be no earlier than fourth Monday of August.
- Mr. Crumley said that two bad weather days were required to be included, but it was really just a formality, since student schedules now included sufficient minutes to account for two bad weather days, and teachers would be already be working on the days identified.
- Mr. Crumley said that it was traditional that one of the calendar options be similar to the current calendar, and that was Option A, which included a 5-day Thanksgiving holiday. He explained that Option B and Option C both included a 3-day Thanksgiving holiday, but with longer winter breaks that started and ended on different dates.
- Mr. Wetter said that Option C was the most non-traditional calendar, but explained that the Superintendent wanted at least one option that was outside of the box.
- Mr. Crumley said that there was another item on the ballot – whether to support a TEA waiver request to allow the next school year to start and end a week earlier. He said that the advantages of the waiver would be a more typical start date in August and the school year not ending so close to the start of summer school, which would give students who have to take STAAR retests in June more time to prepare.
- Discussion points included:
 - ☞ It's hard to know if we actually like the 5-day Thanksgiving holiday without having yet experienced it – it would be better if we could vote at a later time
 - ☞ The 5-day Thanksgiving holiday will be difficult for some working parents
 - ☞ Most of the other school districts in Central Texas have 5-day Thanksgiving holidays

- ☞ The spring semester is longer, but it does involve a number of testing days
- ☞ The Task Force did take several things into consideration, such as school not starting on a Monday, whether or not Good Friday should be a holiday, and a break between spring break and the end of school
- ☞ All of the options have a 3-day week prior to a holiday break, which will probably result in higher absenteeism
- DAC members marked their individual ballots, and Carla Roberson of School, Family, and Community collected the ballots.

2017-2018 Budget Priorities

- Members broke out into three groups to brainstorm and narrow down to district budget priorities for the next fiscal year.

Conclusion

- A member from each of the three breakout groups provided a summary of top priorities. Dr. Ross said that Joey Crumley would include the complete group notes in the meeting minutes (*attached*).
- The meeting was adjourned by Dr. Ross at 6:10 p.m.

Budget Priorities for 2017-2018

Breakout Group #1

- Facility improvement and infrastructure (bond)
- Teacher salary parity with other districts
- Legislative lobbying on school finance
- Educate communities on school finance and actions needed (more community meetings, repeated and various channels of messaging)
- Continue SEL
- Marketing attention (report on results of marketing efforts)
- Pre-K
- Technology resources and training
- Parent Support Specialists, including leveling the resources
- Dual language – next steps, district wide? (dual language performance report)
- Making a decision on South high school (where is the district on this?)
- College and career programming

Breakout Group #2

- Use resources efficiently / oversight of resources
- Lobbying Legislature / recapture
- Transportation / Cost of Education Index (haven't been adjusted since the '80s)
- Infrastructure
- Technology
- Personnel for tech implementation (dedicated personnel per campus)
- True equity – are we seeing the outcome of what we aim to achieve
- Funding for magnets / special programs
- Dual language
- Creating better learning spaces
- Paying teachers what they're worth
- Student-centered learning / meeting student needs
- Expand breakfast in the classroom
- Ensuring quality health care
- More targeted marketing
- Support system for educators in the classroom
- Early education
- Special education

Breakout Group #3

- Facilities (athletics, fine arts, science, special education)
- Marketing (the bond and schools)
- Vision and hearing, full-time nurses
- Technology
- Student sharing (is it working)
- Teacher retention
- Dual language / special programs
- Family engagement
- Math specialists
- Professional collaboration
- Early childhood / Pre-K (tracking transfers for Pre-K kids)

District Advisory Council Membership and Attendance Record	2016				2017					
	8/16	9/20	10/25	11/15	1/17	2/21	3/21	4/18	5/16	
AKINS VERTICAL TEAM										
Heather Shaw, Parent, Perez ES (2/2)		✓	✓	✓						
Monica Sanchez, Parent, Casey ES (3/1)				✓						
Mario Piña, Teacher, Perez ES (1/1)	✓		✓							
Shalane Sheppard, Teacher, Akins HS (2/2)										
ANDERSON VERTICAL TEAM										
Cathy Painter, Parent, Anderson HS (1/2)		✓	✓	✓						
Shannon Meroney, Parent, Doss ES (2/1)	✓	✓	✓							
Christy Cochran, Librarian, Murchison MS (3/2)	✓	✓	✓							
Thomas Jolliffe, Teacher, Anderson HS (1/2)		✓								
AUSTIN VERTICAL TEAM										
Barbara Knaggs, Parent, O.Henry MS (2/1)	✓		✓	✓						
Vera Muñiz, Parent, Zilker ES (2/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Sedric Pinkny, Teacher, O.Henry MS (1/1)		✓		✓						
Aimee Finney, Teacher, Austin HS (1/2)	✓		✓							
BOWIE VERTICAL TEAM										
Mike Berryman, Parent, Bowie HS (1/2)		✓								
Shawn Ball, Parent, Gorzycki MS (1/1)	✓									
Arthur Thompson, Teacher, Bailey MS (2/2)	✓									
Brian Alford, Teacher, Bowie HS (2/1)			✓	✓						
CROCKETT VERTICAL TEAM										
Zoe Trieff, Parent, Sunset Valley ES (2/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Nicole Reed, Parent, Cunningham ES (2/1)		✓		✓						
Rocio Ruiz, Teacher, St. Elmo ES (2/1)	✓	✓								
Kristel Nichols, Teacher, St. Elmo ES (1/1)	✓	✓	✓							
EASTSIDE MEMORIAL VERTICAL TEAM										
Hilda Villalobos-Alvarez, Parent, Eastside Memorial HS (1/2)										
<i>Vacancy, Parent</i>										
Giles Smith, Teacher, Metz ES (1/2)		✓		✓						
<i>Vacancy, Teacher</i>										
LANIER VERTICAL TEAM										
DeeDee Evans, Parent, Lanier HS (3/1)	✓									
Natalie Bowers-Benderly, Parent, Wooten ES (2/2)										
Danny Ramos, Librarian, Padron ES (1/1)	✓									
Paul Mitchell, Teacher, Lanier HS (4/2)	✓									

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LBJ VERTICAL TEAM										
Betty Johnson, Parent, LBJ HS (5/2)		✓	✓							
Tihira House, Parent, Garcia YMLA (1/1)										
Daniela Ruiz, Teacher, Harris ES (1/1)		✓	✓							
Blanca Galvez-Perez, Teacher, Andrews ES (3/1)		✓	✓	✓						
McCALLUM VERTICAL TEAM										
Candace Aylor, Parent, McCallum HS (1/2)		✓	✓							
Dr. Melanie Haupt, Parent, Brentwood ES (1/1)	✓	✓		✓						
Rachel Eastman, Teacher, Brentwood ES (1/2)		✓	✓	✓						
Mary Davis, Teacher Gullett ES (1/2)										
REAGAN VERTICAL TEAM										
Ivan Mendez, Parent, Reagan HS (1/2)										
Dr. Deanna Mercer, Parent, Reagan HS (1/1)	✓	✓		✓						
Maya McElroy, Librarian, Graham ES (3/2)		✓	✓	✓						
Claudia Torres, Teacher, Webb MS (1/1)		✓	✓							
TRAVIS VERTICAL TEAM										
Genevieve Dell, Parent, Fulmore MS (1/2)			✓	✓						
James Wetter, Parent, Fulmore MS ES (4/1)				✓						
Becky Cardenas-Salinas, Counselor, Linder ES (1/2)			✓							
Allison Ashley, Teacher, Becker ES (2/1)	✓	✓		✓						
SPECIAL CAMPUSES VERTICAL TEAM										
Jane MacLean, Parent, Ann Richards School (3/1)	✓		✓	✓						
Sondra Marks, Parent, LASA (2/2)		✓	✓	✓						
Paul Lanning, Teacher, ALC (1/1)			✓	✓						
Jill DiCuffa, Teacher, Ann Richards School (2/2)		✓								
Paula Cox, Teacher, Rosedale (1/1)				✓						
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINCIPALS										
Rafael Soriano, Principal, Padron ES (1/2)		✓								
Lupe Velasquez, Principal, Allison ES (1/1)										
Angela Leu, Assistant Principal, Patton ES/Baldwin ES (2/1)										
MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPALS										
<i>Vacancy, Middle School Principal</i>										
Shannon Sellstrom, Principal, Covington MS (5/2)		✓	✓	✓						

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HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL										
Sammi Harrison, Principal, Anderson HS (2/2)										
ACPTA REPRESENTATIVES										
Vanessa Santamaria-Dainton (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Nu Chanpheng (2/1)	✓		✓	✓						
COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVES										
Michael Supancic (5/1)			✓							
LaDonna Massad (5/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Kevin Wood (2/2)	✓	✓		✓						
Toni Rayner (3/2)			✓	✓						
BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE										
Drew Bixby (3/1)	✓	✓	✓							
CLASSIFIED EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVE										
Rodrigo Velez, Human Resources (2/1)										
DISTRICT-LEVEL PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYEE REPRESENTATIVES										
★ Dr. Jane Ross, Learning Support Services (9/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Bonnie Hauser, Library/Media Services (3/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Angela Iglehart-Woods, School, Family & Community (1/2)		✓		✓						
Nichole Aguirre, Technology (1/2)			✓							
Alonzo Blankenship, SEL (1/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
AT-LARGE MEMBERS										
Alberto Gonzalez (8/1)										
★ Adolphus (Andy) Anderson (7/2)	✓	✓	✓							
Vickie Black (9/1)										
Kevin Manzke (5/2)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
Kathy Green (1/1)	✓	✓	✓	✓						
STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES										
Ilisha D'Souza, Student, Anderson HS (1/2)		✓		✓						
Jimmy Counihan, Student, Bowie HS (2/1)		✓	✓							
BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIAISON										
*Amber Elenz, Trustee	✓	✓		✓						
SUPERINTENDENT										
*Dr. Paul Cruz, Superintendent		✓	✓							

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