## Austin Independent School District Equity Advisory Committee (EAC) Meeting Minutes March 23, 2021

The AISD Equity Advisory Committee met virtually on March 23, 2021 to consider, discuss, and take action on the items listed in the agenda below. These meeting minutes are supplemented by the meeting materials and video recording (coming soon), are accessible on the EAC website.

#### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **EAC Members**

Roxanne Evans Grace Martino-Brewster Alberto Alonso Zarga Fatima Rev. AW Mays Jared Breckenridge Kevin Gillion Michael O'Malley Caytie Brown Stacie Holiday **Emily Sawyer** Gustavo Castaneda Candace Hunter Meera Sam Chaolin Chang Theresa Hunter Vanessa Bertha Delgado Rendon Hollie Jenkins Santamaria-Dainton

Marith (Lisseth) Diaz Cruz Hollie Jenkins Santamaria-Dainton
Valerie Esparza Nadia Khan Dr. Tamey Williams-Hill

Sachi Edson Dyana Limon-Mercado Mitzi Wright

## Community Members/AISD Staff

Adrienne Aldaco Beth Wilson Daniel Inglish Alexandra Copeland **Beverly Watters Darien Clary** Ali Ghilarducci Brandi Hosack Darla Caughey Ali Takata Brenda Richmond Dr. David Kauffman Amanda Mortl Charles McGarity David Reinhart Ami Cortes Chief Ashley Gonzalez Dillon Finan Christian Clarke Casarez Dr. Twyla Williams Amy Always

Anita Muscarella Claudia Palma Ed Hill

Annie Collier (Interpreter) Elizabeth Casas
Anselmo Garza Cuitlahuac Guerra-Mojarro Elsa Dominguez
Dr. Anthony Mays Cynthia Vasquez Eric Ramos
Trustee Arati Singh Dan O. Erika Bodoin

**Evelin Ramos** Katrina Bailey Samantha Greenleaf Farid Razavi Kenisha Coburn Sergio Valderrama Frances Jordan Kristina Waugh Sharvn Vane Gloria Vera-Bedolla Lari Johnson Shechem sauls Dr. Gloria Williams Leonor Vargas Sheila Henry Guy Butler Lisa Flores Shon Livingston Heather Lee Stacey Smith Trustee Lynn Boswell

Dr. Jacob Reach Marco Ramos Dr. Stephanie Elizalde Jade Lindquist Melissa Laursen Dr. Stephanie Hawley James Phares Melissa Summers Stephanie McGraw Dr. Jane Ross Michelle Bynum T. A. Vasquez Jay Johnson Mike L Tanya Birks Jessica Wilson Nancy Mims Terry Reed Joey Crumley Trustee Noelita Lugo Thalia Bryant John Kohlmorgan Norma Castillo Toni Cordova Dr. Joseph Allen Norma Garcia Ty Davidson

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1. Call Meeting to Order/Review Procedures

1.1. Meeting called to order at 5:33 pm by co-chair Dr. Tamey Williams-Hill. Interpretation services and public commentary is explained by coordinator Farid Razavi.

## 2. Inaugural Meeting Welcome

Judy Seiffert

2.1. Superintendent Dr. Stephanie Elizalde welcomes the committee, and explains the purpose and charge of EAC.

## 3. AISD and the focus on Equity

3.1. Dr. Tamey Williams-Hill discusses the district's adopted definition of educational equity and Equity by Design tool.

#### 4. EAC Committee Member Introduction

4.1. Committee members introduce themselves, their role in the community, and shared one thing they wanted the committee to know about them.

## 5. Review of EAC Purpose and Protocols

5.1. The District Advisory Committee (DAC) Coordinator, Joey Crumley, reviews the purpose and protocols of the EAC.

## 6. First Year of Focus

6.1. Farid Razavi discusses potential dates to hold monthly meetings. A Zoom poll is given out, and of the participants that voted, 67% voted on the 2nd Tuesday of the month to hold monthly meetings. A number of members mention potential scheduling conflicts. A final decision is not reached, and there will be further discussion on how to best accommodate the needs of the committee members. The overall first year focus of the EAC is discussed, which includes: areas of focus for district equity assessment, review/recommendation of equity-related policies and practices, focus on subcommittees, and shared education-based learning opportunities.

# 7. District Equity Assessment Vendor Selection/RFP (Request for Proposal

7.1. Anita Muscarella, Senior Procurement Specialist for AISD, discusses and explains the process on the formal solicitation process to select a vendor that will perform audit/assessment for the district.

#### 8. Subcommittees

8.1. Sachi Edson briefly describes the 6 subcommittees that have been proposed to form. She explains that anyone can participate in the various subcommittees. Subcommittees will meet independently, and report back to the EAC at monthly meetings. A Google Form has been developed, and posted on the EAC website to capture committee and public interest for those groups.

#### 9. Public Comments

- 9.1. T.A Vasquez makes public comments.
- 9.2. Nancy Mims makes public comments.
- 9.3. Cuitlahuac Guerra-Majarro makes public comments.
- 9.4. Cynthia Vasquez makes public comments.
- 9.5. Chief Ashely Gonzalez makes public comment.

## 10. Committee Member Comments

- 10.1. Dyana Limon Mercado makes committee member comments.
- 10.2. Bertha Delgado makes committee member comments.
- 10.3. Dr. Stephanie Hawley responds to committee member comments.

- 10.4. Jared Breckenridge makes committee member comments.
- 10.5. Pastor AW Mays responds to committee member comments.
- 10.6. Dr. Stephanie Hawlely responds to committee member comments.
- 10.7. Vanessa Santamaria Dainton responds to committee member comments.
- 10.8. Stephanie Hawley responds to committee member comments.
- 10.9. Stacie Holiday makes committee member comments.
- 10.10. Mitzi Wright makes committee member comments.
- 10.11. Dr. Tamey Williams-Hill responds to committee member comments.

## 11. Meeting Adjournment

11.1 Vanessa Santamaria-Dainton adjourns meeting at 7:29 pm.