

Austin Independent School District  
Equity Advisory Committee (EAC)  
Meeting Minutes  
April 4, 2023

The AISD Equity Advisory Committee met virtually and in person on April 4, 2023 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, and are accessible on the [EAC website](#).

**ATTENDANCE**

**EAC Members**

Andrea McIllwain  
Cristina Torres  
Gloria Cortez  
Hollie Jenkins

Leyla Olano  
Mary Selby  
Dr. Michael O'Malley  
Nadia Khan

Sachi Edson  
Dr. Stacie Holiday  
Tez Figueroa  
Valerie Turullols  
Zarqa Fatima

Laykha Chopra

Paul Kretchmer

**Community Members/AISD Staff**

Adolphus Anderson  
Aileen Jaan  
Amy Moore  
Diana Trimino  
Gabe Reyes  
Gabriel Estrada  
Idolina Maldonado

Jeffrey Thomas  
Jennifer Cregar  
Karomi Contreras  
Katie Casstevens  
Kristina Jensen  
Kynan Murtagh  
Dr. Laura Green

Lauren Field  
Lisa Flores  
Lizeth Duenas  
Dr. Stephanie Hawley  
Sundal Ali

**1. Welcome Meeting to Order/EAC Logistics**

- 1.1. Meeting is called to order at 5:33pm by EAC Co-Chair Zarqa Fatima. Farid Razavi shares an update regarding Spanish language access during the EAC meeting.

**2. Approval of EAC Meeting Minutes**

- 2.1. EAC members approve meeting minutes from the March 2023 EAC meeting at 5:36pm.

**3. Public Comments**

3.1. No public comment is made.

#### **4. Holding Space**

4.1. Sundal Ali opens the Holding Space portion of the meeting at 5:39pm for EAC members to share questions or comments regarding the TEA letter for special education conservatorship.

#### **5. Equity Action Plan Update**

5.1. Dr. Stephanie Hawley gives a brief introduction and note of gratitude for EAC members who participated in the Equity Action Plan at 6:00pm.

5.2. Sundal Ali shares the district's utilization of the Equity Action Plan and the reasoning for archiving the plan given how it has informed the district strategic plan, the Long Range Plan, and the equity assessment at 6:05pm. .

#### **6. Enroll Austin Discussion**

6.1 Katie Casstevens, Executive Director of Student Enrollment and Attendance, leads a discussion around AISD's new enrollment system to gather EAC Feedback at 6:09pm.

#### **7. EAC Subcommittee Updates**

7.1 Dr. Stacie Holiday provides an update and requests EAC member feedback on the Recruitment and Retention of Black and Brown Staff Subcommittee's draft recommendations at 7:12pm.

7.2 Valerie Turullols shares an update at 7:25pm on the focus of the equity enrollment subcommittee and extends an invite for EAC members to join the next meeting to continue the conversation on the transfer policy and other items that were discussed in the meeting around enrollment.

#### **8. Accomplishments and Gratitude**

8.1 Sundal Ali thanks the outgoing EAC members for their two year term on the EAC and also acknowledges the accomplishments of the EAC this past year at 7:28pm.

#### **9. Optimistic Closure and Adjournment**

9.1 Sachi Edson adjourns the meeting at 7:32pm.