

District Advisory Council
Board Room, Administration Building
March 22, 2017
3:50 P.M.

Members Present:	Kara Argenbright Sonja Bolton Kim Coleman Anna Hicks	Carla Baxley Hannah Carrington Miki Eddins Heather Salverino	Brandi Boles Bryan Cole Holly Folmar Juli Varosi
Members Absent:	Rachel Draper Susan Reynolds	Michael Lamb Craig Roberts	Kourtney McDonald Dr. Mario Villarino
Others Present:	Sherry McGraw Josh Williams	Marci Owens	Lisa Robinson

In the absence of Michael Lamb, Josh Williams called the meeting to order. He gave members copies of the finalized *District of Innovation Plan* for review. Williams noted that the plan had been posted on the District website. He made members aware of an addition of wording to Item IV, b, Proposed Innovation. The wording states “Board minutes will reflect which employees are hired pursuant to a local certification.” He said this eliminates the requirement to send letters to parents of students in those teachers’ classrooms. Williams asked for any questions, concerns or clarifications regarding the plan. There were none. He then asked the committee for their approval of the final plan. The plan was approved as presented. Williams said that the plan would be reported to TEA and presented to the school board for adoption at the regular April 10 board meeting.

The next item of discussion was the 2017-2018 school calendar. Williams reviewed the proposed calendar and noted one change to a waiver day date from April 2 to April 9. Following review and discussion, Williams asked the committee if they approved of the proposed calendar. The committee approved as presented. Williams noted that the calendar would be submitted to the school board for approval at the regular April 10 meeting.

Williams opened the floor for questions, concerns or announcements. He reported on the recent elementary UIL competition. He said that 115 students, grades 2-5, along with 33 coaches, attended the competition at Pine Tree. SSISD students took 1st place overall in the competition, beating competitor Hallsville ISD in the process.

Bryan Cole, Middle School teacher, reported that Middle School students competed in two UIL meets this year. One was an invitational meet before the district meet. He said that SSISD students placed 2nd overall behind Hallsville ISD at the district meet. Cole also noted that three Destination Imagination teams from the middle school have advanced to State competition.

Carla Baxley, High School teacher, reported that her students are now writing at levels 3 & 4. She thanked administrators for the implementation of the digital reading program MyOn and said her students are excited about reading since use of the program.

Following no more comments or discussion, the meeting was adjourned.