

District Advisory Council  
PDC, Administration Building  
September 21, 2016  
3:50 P.M.

Members Present:	Kara Argenbright	Carla Baxley	Brandi Boles
	Sonja Bolton	Hannah Carrington	Bryan Cole
	Rachel Draper	Holly Folmar	Anna Hicks
	Kourtney McDonald	Susan Reynolds	Heather Salverino
	Juli Varosi	Dr. Mario Villarino	

Members Absent:	Kim Coleman	Miki Eddins	Michael Lamb
	Craig Roberts		

Others Present:	Marci Owens	Josh Williams
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In Mr. Lamb's absence, Josh Williams called the meeting to order. He welcomed those in attendance and thanked them for coming. He explained the purpose of the Council for the new members' benefit.

Williams had members introduce themselves and then opened the floor for any beginning of school year experiences or announcements. Dr. Villarino announced the upcoming "Ag in the Classroom" event on October 4 and 5.

Williams discussed the recent accountability ratings. He explained that the current rating system denotes "Met Standard" or "Did Not Meet Standard". He said that all campuses, thus the District, "Met Standard" this year. He noted that more special designations were earned this year. Williams directed members to the district website to view each campus accountability report, if they wanted. He said there is a lot of great things being done in the district, including some exciting things with reading.

Williams gave members copies of the "SSISD Parent and Family Engagement Policy" and "Title I Parent Surveys" for their review. He said that the district has campuses that meet a high enough percentage of low income students to receive federal funds. He noted that campuses are required to have site-based committees and annual Title I meetings.

Williams reported on Title I meetings being held throughout the district. He said the meetings are required by law. These meetings are used to inform parents of what Title I is. They are an opportunity for feedback and to talk about surveys, Parent Compact, how Title I money is spent, TEKS, principal's contact info, etc.

Williams next discussed the District Improvement Plan. He said campus plans were realigned last year. He told members that they are "Master Plans" for the campuses. They answer "Who Are We?" and "What Do We Need?" The goals of the district are personalized for each campus within the plan. Williams noted that the school board will be presented the campus and district plans for approval in November.

The floor was opened for any further announcements or good news. Sonja Bolton said that ECLC has their dismissal time down to 6 minutes. Rachel Draper expressed her appreciation for the technology skills being taught to students, as evidenced by her son's recent display of skills used in doing his homework.

Williams informed members about the recent meeting for first-time teachers. He said the new teachers are enthusiastic about what is going on in the district. These meetings are used to encourage and inform the teachers.

He also made members aware of changes to the fire lanes at the high school. He said the lanes have been brought up to code and said that officers are writing warnings to individuals parked inside the lanes. He said to be mindful of the lanes when parking at the high school.

Carla Baxley thanked the administration for the teacher laptops provided recently. Others echoed the sentiment.

With no further comments or questions, the meeting was adjourned.