



Alamo Heights Independent School District

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District Education Advisory Council

Minutes for Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 11:30AM

Alamo Heights High School – HS Tech Lab

Members Present:

Howard – Michele Johnson

Cambridge – Jennifer Deleon, Karen Mueller

Woodridge – Jennifer Aderholdt

Junior School – Gabby Joseph, Michael McElrath

High School – Patrice Bartlett

High School Student Council – Estrella Hernandez, Brian Yancelson

Parent/Business/Community Representatives – Sara Brouillard, Dr. Ruth Bujanda-Moore, John Fitch, Tara Gibbs, Julie Hill, Richard Peacock

Administration – Dr. Frank Alfaro, Dr. Dana Bashara, Dr. Jimmie Walker, Sandra Shelton

Members Absent: *Amanda Bezner, Randall Davis, Kathryn Dehlinger, Lucy Duncan, Claudia Hernandez, Lisa Krenger, Sabrina Ramirez, LaJuana Hill Zaroni*

I. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting began at 11:40 AM with Dr. Bashara welcoming the DEAC Committee.

II. Learning Time - Bond Update

A. District Core Values

Dr. Frank Alfaro talked through a process in which AHISD will designate our own creating district Core Values. He indicated AHISD is moving to becoming an accredited District of Character Education. Character.org is assisting in this effort and they provide 11 core areas around which to design campus core values. All five of our campuses are working on this. (For example, Cambridge Elementary has their 5 core values and they are compassion, kindness, integrity, perseverance, and gratitude.) It is now time for the district to design the core values at the district level.

Members of the DEAC broke out into groups to identify what core values they thought best represented AHISD. Dr. Alfaro called for a DEAC Subcommittee to meet on March 1st at 4:15 - 5:30



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p.m. to look at some of the feedback from DEAC members. Findings will be reported at the April 4th DEAC meeting.

B. HS Cafeteria Concept

Dr. Bashara reminded members that the DEAC committee is also the SHAC committee and makes recommendations in that capacity. Dr. Alfaro reported that with the bond being passed, the High School cafeteria is also being redesigned. The district is proposing to move off of the federal school lunch program. This will allow for:

- *more flexibility*
- *savory options, but still nutritious*
- *instead of federal subsidies to cover free/reduced meals, sales from other items will generate funds to provide those subsidies*
- *parents still have the ability to limit all items purchased by students*

Current concepts of the new AHHS Cafe include a coffee bar, salad bar, multicultural food station, and a fresh bakery. These are some of the examples of the offerings:

- *The coffee bar would be open all day and have wifi and charging stations.*
- *The pizza kitchen would include calzones, strombolis, and pizzas.*
- *Fresh breakfast tacos would be served daily with options of wheat and gluten-free tortillas.*
- *The grill would include fresh, healthy, and delicious items.*
- *Multiple beverage options would be included: dairy free, sugar free, fruit smoothies, and carbonated beverages*

III. Business & Planning

A. Bond Updates Website

Dr. Bashara advised DEAC members of the [Bond Updates](#) webpage on the AHISD website. The page includes what updates are taking place each campus, timeframes of work and completion, as well as arial pictures.

IV. Review of Progress: Learner Outcome Measures

A. February Feedback

Dr. Jimmie Walker reported last February we had 750 survey responses. This year in 2018, after only being open 2 weeks, we have a total of 1,321 responses. Students will be completing the survey during a designated advisory time soon. Everyone was encouraged to complete their survey: students can find it in their K-12 email, staff in their employee email and parents received it to their email on file.

The survey was also sent out in Monday Mail with the link and access code. There are 2 open ended questions for surveyors to provide additional information regarding their responses.



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The surveys close March 2nd. The data will be shared with administrators on March 23rd and findings will be reported to the community shortly after.

B. District Design Team Update

The purpose of the District Design Team (DDT) is to become an engagement-focused learning organization, one which enables schools to make the design of engaging work for students. The DDT has writing teams and they are currently working on several projects: capstone project, learner outcomes, PD induction plan and communication district-wide regarding Engaged Classrooms.

V. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. The next meeting will be held on April 4, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. in the High School Technology Lab.