



District Education Advisory Council (DEAC) Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, **September 04, 2024** 11:30 AM

Location: Alamo Heights Independent School District Board Room

Members: Present: Frank Alfaro, Jimmie Walker, Kristen Ascencao, Brian Griener, Mercedes Champion, Stefanie Hancock, Cheryl Duckers, Martha Flores, Marlen Fisher, Erica Melle, Chandler Tadlock, Braden Cain, Joseph Angulo, Brooke Meabon, Amita Kumar Bietz, Dipa Patel, Misty Campbell, Gustavo Almeida, Sergio Leal, Erin Clemtson, Emily King, Kristin Payne, **Absent:** James Miller, Pablo Arizpe Ochoa, Marcus Hervey, Ty Edwards, Daniel Corso

I. Welcome & Introductions: The meeting began at 11:33 AM with Dr. Alfaro welcoming the DEAC Committee and introducing each member and one guest attendee.

II. Business and Planning

A. DEAC purpose and function: Dr. Frank Alfaro

The DEAC has combined the councils and duties of the district SBDM committee, School Health Advisory Council (SHAC), and the district Technology Committee. The DEAC serves as the district site based decision making team. Members of the team were encouraged to communicate regularly with those groups they represent on the committee.

B. Presentation and Discussion: AHISD Administrative District Target Areas-Dr. Frank Alfaro

Dr. Alfaro shared a hand out with the DEAC Members of the district target areas. Work Time was given to the group to review and share their thoughts/questions on the information.

C. Presentation and Discussion: Implementation of AHISD Instructional Technology Beliefs- Brian Grenier

Mr. Grenier shared information on how data was gathered from other districts, February Feedback, Teachers and Parents/Students to help build our technology beliefs. Mr. Grenier gave a brief overview of district expectations in the areas of communication, guidelines, support and evaluation. He also shared the new policy on cell phones at the High School. A call for new committee members to meet four times this school year was presented. Interested DEAC members were asked to email Brian Grenier directly.

D. Presentation and Discussion: Elementary and AHJS Snack Line Offerings- Dr. Frank Alfaro

Dr. Alfaro presented state nutritional requirements for a la carte (i.e., “snack line”) items sold at Cambridge, Woodridge, and the Alamo Heights Junior School, along with nutritional recommendations for children by the US Academy of Pediatrics and the US Department of Agriculture, especially as it relates to sugar. Dr. Alfaro also discussed the online feature in which parents can place restrictions on the snack their children purchase on those campuses.

Based on input from the group, Dr. Alfaro will explore parent education about the nutritional content of snacks sold and about the parent restriction features online. He will also work with our food service vendor to explore adding more protein rich, low sugar items in the snack line.

II. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:01 pm with a reminder about the next meeting, October 30, 2024 from 11:30 am - 1 pm in the Alamo Heights ISD Board Room. A request was made for those interested in serving on the 2025-26 calendar subcommittee meeting October 15, 2024 to email Dr. Alfaro.

Meeting dates

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Date	Event	Location	Time
October 30, 2024	District Education Advisory Council	Board Room	11:30-1:00 PM
February 5, 2025	District Education Advisory Council	Board Room	11:30-1:00 PM
April 2, 2025	District Education Advisory Council	Board Room	11:30-1:00 PM