



Alamo Heights Independent School District
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District Education Advisory Council

*Minutes for Wednesday, September 7, 2016, 11:30AM
Alamo Heights High School – HS Tech Lab*

Members Present:

Howard – Lolita Large

Cambridge – Jennifer Deleon, Beth Murguia

Woodridge – Amber Brown, Debbie Dixon

Junior School – N/A

High School – Lucy Duncan, Nichol Lehmann

High School Student Council – N/A

Parent/Business/Community Representatives – David Adelman, Sara Brouillard, Dr. Ruth Bujanda-Moore, Kathryn Dehlinger, John Fitch, Brian Hamilton, Julie Hill, Margaret Judson, Tracie Maxwell, Richard Peacock, Dr. Kristen Plastino, Renee Wright

Administration – Dr. Frank Alfaro, Dr. Kristen Ascencao, Dr. Dana Bashara, Gabby Joseph, Dr. Jimmie Walker, Sandra Shelton

Members Absent: Audra Kerr, Christopher McDow, Claudeth Garcia, David Garcia, Grant Anderson

I. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting began at 11:45 AM with Dr. Bashara welcoming the 2016-2017 DEAC Committee. Guests performed brief introductions before describing their role and responsibilities.



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II. Overview of Roles & Responsibilities of DEAC

The DEAC has combined the councils and duties of the formerly known Education Improvement Council, Student Health Advisory Council, and the Technology Committee. In addition to these duties, DEAC will further develop our AHISD Profile of a Learner.

III. Business & Planning

A. Members will soon have access to the 2016 District Improvement Plan. This plan will serve for future discussions and be updated periodically.

B. Dr. Bashara encouraged participants to sign-up for the Calendar Planning Committee in order to assist in preparing the calendar for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year. The members are as follows: Jimmie Walker, Kathryn Dehlinger, Lolita Large, Lucy Duncan and Sara Brouillard.

C. For the 2016-2017 school year, Dr. Bashara advised the school district would have to apply for four class waivers for sections over the 22:1 student to teacher ratio in elementary. The numbers are available online for review on the DEAC webpage.

IV. Learning Time - Task Force Recommendations/Action Items

Dr. Frank Alfaro presented the Alamo Heights Task Force Presentation. There were 16 participants involved including district employees and parents. The Task Force focused on social and emotional wellness, character education, and digital citizenship. The Task Force had 19 full and 12 focus group meetings. Existing policies were reviewed and revised.

V. Rotations

A. Nutrition Guidelines Updates - Dr. Alfaro explained the nutrition guidelines for the district based on state regulations.

B. Review of Progress – AHISD Blueprint for Learning - Dr. Bashara went over the Blueprint for Learning and what types of growth indicators the district will be utilizing to measure student growth.

C. Reflection: Task Force - Dr. Walker and Mrs. Joseph asked for feedback on the Task Force and went over the resources available to students and parents.



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VI. Focus Group Sign-Up

Dr. Bashara explained throughout the year Focus Groups will be held amongst parents, students, and teachers. She encouraged everyone to bring one to two guests and to sign-up on the DEAC webpage via the Google Doc. The parents asked if their meeting could be moved to after hours. The December meeting has been rescheduled to December 1st at 6:00 p.m. Below is the revised schedule:

Focus Groups:	Time:	October Dates:	December Dates:
Teacher	4:00 – 5:00 p.m.	October 6 th	
Teacher	4:00 – 5:00 p.m.		December 1 st
Parent	12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	October 14 th	
Parent	6:00 - 7:00 p.m.		December 1 st
Student	12:25 – 1:15 p.m.	October 7 th	
Student			December 2 nd
Location:	Teachers/Parents: Board Room; Students: Oaks		

VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held on November 16, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. in the High School Technology Lab.