

**Minutes of the District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC)
November 9, 2022**

The District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC) of the North East Independent School District met on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 in Room 614 of the Richard A. Middleton Education Center, 8961 Tesoro Drive, San Antonio, Texas.

The following DEIC members were present:

Rebecca Gentry	Cheryl Hernandez	Jessica Esslinger	Maria Garcia-Rios
Selena Valdez	Abigail Borel	Vanessa Woodworth	Julie Magadance
Amy Kamata	Cynthia Dubose	Sara Patterson	Jodi Harris
Diana Hartung	Robert Cater	Alexandria Martinez	
Rochelle Hans	Joan Lovin	Terri Sanchez	
Bonnie Cabeza	Sonia Moreno-Rogers	Karen Martinez	
Symone Samson	Lisa Thompson	Jacob Collazo	

Presenters:

- Beverly Lebherz, Director of Testing
- Jennifer Gutierrez, Executive Director, Elementary Education
- Kellye Dear, Director for Federal Programs
- Celeste Lafuente-Garza, Senior Director, Learning Support Services

I. Meeting Called to Order

Mr. Jarrett called the DEIC to order at 4:36 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

Chair, Diane Hartung, asked that the minutes from October 5, 2022, be reviewed by DEIC members present.

After minutes were reviewed, Mrs. Hartung asked the committee if they had a motion for approval. Sara Patterson moved to approve the minutes. Terri Sanchez seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted unanimously as presented.

III. CCMR/Early Literacy

The Chairperson introduced Beverly Lebherz, Director of Testing, who was standing in for Dr. Munoz who was not able to attend the meeting, and Jennifer Gutierrez, Executive Director, Curriculum and Instruction, will present on House Bill 3. Mrs. Gutierrez went over what House Bill 3 “Closing the Gaps” is and the district’s plan on meeting those goals. She reviewed the “Early Childhood Literacy Board Outcome Goal”

what goals were set and how the district forecasted to reach those goals. She also covered the district's CCMR goals. Once the presentation was complete, she opened the floor to discussion or questions. She then gave the floor to Beverly Lebherz.

IV. DIIP, CIIP

The Chairperson introduced Mrs. Lebherz and stated that the DIIP would be up for a vote as to if it can be taken to the Board of Trustees on November 14, 2022.

Mrs. Lebherz continued to discuss HB3 and how it links to the District Instructional Improvement Plan (DIIP). She went over our mission and Board goals. The DIIP was discussed and worked on during the last DEIC meeting. The different divisions and what they cover were presented. Mr. Jarrett reiterated that DEIC's input is a very important part of the process.

Mrs. Lebherz then went on to present on the Campus Instructional Improvement Plan (CIIP). Each campus has a CIIP and a committee that works on their CIIP. The CIIP does mirror the DIIP but is more defined to the campus. There are campuses that are piloting a program called Plan 4 Learning that is used to set up a campus CIIP. The goals and strategies are the same information with just a different set up. The floor was open for discussion and questions.

Chairperson Hartung asked for a motion to approve the DIIP as written. Members had more questions before the vote. Chyla Whitton, Executive Director, Human Resources, was asked to speak regarding staffing and employee retention. After the discussion a motion was requested, and Jodi Harris gave a motion. Abigail Borel seconded that motion. The motion was carried unanimously with DEIC members.

Members were invited by Mr. Jarrett to attend the Board Meeting on Monday, November 14, 2022.

V. NEISD Federal Assurances

Kellye Dear, Director of Federal Programs, was introduced to present on Federal Assurances. She talked about the 4 title programs that exist, what the district receives, and how those funds are used within the district. Our district has 30 Title I campuses. To qualify for Title I, a campus must have 72.9 to 96% economically disadvantaged students. Title II provides funds for professional development training. Title III funds are used to help English Language Learners (ELL). Title IV supplies funds for counselors and other programs that offer well-rounded educational opportunities.

VI. District of Innovation

The Chairperson introduced Celeste Lafuente-Garza, Senior Director, Learning Support Services, to present a PowerPoint on the District of Innovation (DOI) renewal. This is the 5th year that our district has been a part of this program. The program gives the district more flexibility to serve its needs. DOI allows the district to start the school year at a different time than the uniform required timeline of starting on the 4th Monday in

August. It also gives leeway in hiring teachers without certification in high need areas such as CTE and world languages.

VII. 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 School Year Calendar

Mr. Jarrett gave instructions on a group activity regarding calendars. Each group will be given 5 minutes to answer questions on each poster. Each person writes their own statement on a post-it note and places it in the appropriate area.

A short break was given before the activity started.

DEIC members started the activity. All answers and comments will be compiled on a spreadsheet. The same activity was completed by Student Voice and will be completed with the district's principals on the following day.

Mr. Jarrett gave closing remarks and discussed comments that had been given by Student Voice and DEIC.

Adjourn

Chairperson Hartung announced the next meeting would be December 7, 2022, 4:30pm in RAMEC 313.04.

Chairperson Hartung requested a motion to adjourn. Lisa Thompson gave the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Joan Lovin seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.