

**Minutes of the District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC)
March 27, 2019**

The District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC) of the North East Independent School District met on Wednesday, March 27, 2019 in Room 614 of the Richard A. Middleton Education Center, 8961 Tesoro Drive, San Antonio, Texas.

The following DEIC members were present:

Charlotte Rowe	Marie Danysh	Scott Donaho	John Hill
Jessica Riley	Ian Vohwinkle	Dolores Brown	Steven Santos
Dottie Griffith	Ricki Ford	Stacy Vancil	
Melissa Gallion	Jennifer Sharrick	Rudy Jimenez	
Christine De La Garza	Heather Herron	Roxanne Jenke	
Amanda Stark	Mindy Waters	Kim Stelter	

NEISD executive staff members present:

- Dr. Donna Newman, Associate Superintendent for Instruction and Campus Administration

Presenters:

- Dr. Debbie Callihan-Dingle, Assistant Director of Family Engagement Program
- Terri Chidgey, Special Project Consultant
- Gary Hardcastle, Senior Director of Learning Support Services

Staff members from the following departments/areas were also present:

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Learning Support Services
- Performance and Planning
- Special Education
- Technology and Library Services
- Administration and Human Resources
- Health Services

I. Welcome and Introductions

Melissa Gallion, Chairperson, called the DEIC to order at 4:30 p.m.

Melissa Gallion introduced Dr. Brian Gottardy, Superintendent. Dr. Gottardy gave a welcome to all members of the committee along with all department staff that was in attendance. He thanked everyone for their time and hard work.

II. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the January 16, 2019 meeting were distributed and reviewed for possible approval. Chairman Gallion moved to approve. John Hill moved to approve the minutes as written. Marie Danysh seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Title I Family Engagement Policy

Dr. Debbie Callihan-Dingle, Assistant Director of Family Engagement Program. She presented a PowerPoint presentation. The policy was reviewed hitting key points for an increase in student achievement, improvement of student behavior, strengthening of home school connection, to benefit all students of all ages and promote school quality. The definition of Title I was explained. Dr. Callihan-Dingle answered questions from the DEIC during this presentation. A copy of the PowerPoint is available on the DEIC website. Chairman Gallion moved to approve. Ricki Ford moved to approve. Christine De La Garza seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. District Instructional Improvement Plan (DIIP)

Terri Chidgey, Special Project Consultant, addressed the committee and gave a brief description of the requirements and process to develop the DIIP. She introduced a large group of staff members present who had contributed their field expertise in creating the 2019-20 DIIP. The full document is available at <https://www.neisd.net/Page/1035>.

Mrs. Chidgey reviewed the DIIP with the DEIC on each of the following areas:

- Curriculum and Instruction:
Math, Science, English Language Arts (ELAR), Social Studies, English Language Learners (ELL), Response to Intervention (RtI).
- Performance and Planning:
Gifted and Talented, Testing Services, Special Education (SpEd), Dyslexia Support and Section 504.
- Technology and Library Services:
Instructional Technology, Network Technology, Technology Support, and Library Services.
- Learning Support Services:
Early Childhood Education (ECE), World Languages, Accelerated Education At-Risk, Guidance Services, College and Career Readiness, Computer Science, Career and Technical Education (CTE).
- Administration and Human Resources:
Leadership Development/Safe and Drug Free Schools (SDFS), Pupil Personnel, Fine Arts, Physical Education, and Human Resources.
- Health Services
- Behavior Management Oversight Team (A collaboration Initiative across Divisions)

During the presentation, members of the DIIP development team answered questions from the DEIC, and after reviewing all sections of the document, Chairperson Gallion requested a motion to approve and recommend revisions and preliminary targets to the Superintendent for the 2019-20 District Instructional Improvement Plan. A motion was made by Ricki Ford and seconded by Dottie Griffith. Motion passed unanimously.

A five minute break was taken at 5:30p.m. and the meeting resumed at 5:35p.m.

V. Ranking

Gary Hardcastle, Senior Director of Learning Support Services gave a presentation on Ranking. He gave an explanation of the proposal for change with a PowerPoint and answered questions. The committee was then asked for their input on the subject. This was an information gathering presentation and there was no need for a motion to pass.

VI. Other Business

Dr. Newman distributed “Tell Your Story” cards to members of the committee and told them about the program encouraging them to tell their story. She also told members they would receive an emailed survey regarding their experience and feedback on the DEIC.

Dr. Newman and Melissa Gallion presented certificates of appreciation to DEIC members and thanked them for their participation.

Adjourn

Chairperson Gallion requested a motion to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

This will be the last meeting of the 2018-2019 school year.