

**Minutes of the District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC)  
November 10, 2021**

The District Educational Improvement Council (DEIC) of the North East Independent School District met on Wednesday, November 10, 2021 in Room 614 of the Richard A. Middleton Education Center, 8961 Tesoro Drive, San Antonio, Texas.

The following DEIC members were present:

Lindsay Hill	Abigail Borel	Kristen Newkirk-	Chris Castro
Amy Kamata	Carrie Turner-Gray	DeHoyos	Jennifer Lomas
Diane Hartung	Marco Garza	Lisa Fairall	Maria Garcia-Rios
Rochelle Hans	Mike Burns	Sara Patterson	Maria Mendoza
John Lorenzo	Linda Comeaux	Julie Sitton	Jodi Harris

NEISD executive staff members present:

- Anthony Jarrett, Chief Instructional Officer
- Rudy Jimenez, Chief of Schools and Leadership

Presenters:

- Dr. Esmeralda Munoz, Executive Director, Learning Support Services
- Jennifer Gutierrez, Executive Director, Elementary Education
- BranDe Merriman, Director, Performance and Planning

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Julie Sitton, Chairperson, called the DEIC to order at 4:33 pm.

**II. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes for the October 6, 2021 and October 28, 2021 (Zoom meeting scheduled at last minute) meetings were reviewed by the DEIC members present.

After minutes were reviewed, Mrs. Sitton, Chair, asked the committee if they have a motion for approval. Carrie Turner-Gray moved to approve the minutes. Abigail Borel seconded the motion. The minutes were accepted unanimously as presented.

**III. CCMR/Early Literacy**

The Chairperson introduced, Esmeralda Munoz, Executive Director, Learning Support Services and Jennifer Gutierrez, Executive Director, Curriculum and Instruction. They presented a PowerPoint titled "House Bill 3 Early Literacy, Math, and CCMR Goals". This presentation was shown to the Board of Trustees during the November 8<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting. Mrs. Gutierrez started out the presentation by discussing the primary grade

levels and their previous and current performance levels compared to the state and region levels. She explained about goals and the district's plans to obtain those goals. Dr. Munoz then addressed the secondary grade levels past and present STAAR assessments compared to the state and region. College ready, career ready and military ready statistics were shown for past and present compared to the state and region. She went on to discuss college, career and military readiness for students. CCMR was broken down and each division was explained. At the end of the presentation the floor was opened for questions.

#### **IV. Future Ready Think Tank**

Mr. Jarrett showed a PowerPoint titled "Future Ready, We must go slow to go fast". Seating for the DEIC meeting was set up differently for this meeting. Members were set up in groups for this project. A short video and PowerPoint were shown to inspire members to think about the needs of the future. Instructions were given for the project. Members were given 20 minutes to answer the following questions:

- What are we currently doing well in NEISD?
- What are some things we are not doing very well?
- What are some support systems we need to consider for student and teacher success?
- How can we enrich learning for all students?
- What should learning look like 20 years from now?
- What are some immediate things we need to start doing in schools?
- What are some immediate things do we need to stop doing in schools?

After the members were finished with their groups Mr. Jarrett went around the room and collected responses on each question. Discussion was held about the responses. The member sheets were picked up at the end of the meeting to compile a list.

#### **V. State Accountability Update**

The Chairperson introduced BranDe Merriman, Director, Performance and Planning, to present a PowerPoint on the State Accountability Update. Scores were compared between 2019 and 2021. 2020 was not rated and declared a state of disaster. Comparisons were made between the district, state, and region. The 3 domains which are Domain I -Student Achievement, Domain II-School Progress, and Domain III-Closing the Gaps, were explained as to how the scores were given. At the end of the presentation the floor was opened for questions.

#### **Adjourn**

Chairperson Sitton announced the next meeting would be January 12, 2022, 4:30pm in RAMEC 313.04. She wished everyone happy holidays.

Chairperson Sitton requested a motion to adjourn. Sara Patterson gave the motion that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.