

# District Education Improvement Committee

September 18, 2012

## Minutes

I. Jan Davis called the meeting to order and the election of new officers was held.

- Jan Davis was re-elected as Facilitator.
- Mary Simon will be the new secretary.

II. Jan Davis led a discussion and the following dates were set for future DEIC meetings:

- Tuesday, November 13
- Tuesday, January 22
- Tuesday, March 19

You may visit the PN-G Website for the meeting agendas.

III. Jan Davis presented a Review of the Catastrophic Sick Leave Program.

- Beverly Cavender wanted the DEIC to investigate the possibility of a program similar to Nederland's "Friends Helping Friends".
- Mr. Gonzales stated how many people the Catastrophic Sick Leave program has helped. It was noted the bookkeeping for "Friends Helping Friends" would be horrendous. Each campus would have to have its own bookkeeper. Mr. Gonzales was reminded that the CSLBC was to send out information on just how many members and how long they were awarded catastrophic sick leave to the vested members.

IV. Dr. Brenda Duhon led a discussion on Staff Development. Members were all in agreement the present year staff development was very beneficial. The time given for preparation and curriculum planning activities was excellent. Kudos for a job well done! January 21 has been set aside to explore the STAAR/EOC needs and focus on the weaknesses to be worked on prior to the test. Dr.

Duhon asked DEIC members to go back to their respective campuses and get teacher input regarding next year's August staff development and if they are in agreement that they would like to see a similar format next August.

It was also noted that more instruction was needed to be provided on how to use the new 2007 Office Suite for the campuses that received new computers. Dr. Duhon explained that a new campus-based after-school technology staff development/training initiative has been put in place for Fall 2012 and stated each individual campus might look at their needs and receive after school technology assistance from one of their own or someone from one of the other schools as part of this new initiative.

V. The 2012 Parental Involvement Survey was distributed to members for perusal. Suggestions were listed for improvement. Overall, the district received exceedingly high scores. From this survey came the Remind 101. This texting will provide parents the opportunity to be kept abreast of district activities prior to the event. Also, noted was the community response to the seminar presented by Keith Dunn on Cyber Safety. Approximately 100+ community members were in attendance.

VI. The meeting adjourned at 4:30.

**Members present were:**

Jan Davis	Lisa Noland
Dixie Dubuisson	Jennifer Ellis
Mandie Champagne	Scarlet Hammersmith
Laura Escamilla	Kim Bell
Angela Abel	Jamie Evans
Beverly Cavender	Ann Daniels
Darla Clark	Mike Gonzales
Christina Puente	Brenda Duhon
Mary Simon	Mary Jane Moore
Kim Davis	Staci Gary
Tanya Davis	Jeff Kuchar