

Minutes of Called District Executive Improvement Committee (DEIC) Meeting

May 7, 2014

Board Room of West Groves Education Center

- Members Present: Annette Meier, Ruthie Wolfe, Ginger LeBlanc, Amy Peevey, Laura Escamilla, Terri Runti, Darla Clark, Donna Cole, Whitney Elisar, Mary Hearne, Scarlet Hammersmith, Jay Stone, and Pat Briggs. Others in attendance include: Dr. Rodney Cavness, Dr. Brenda Duhon, Dr. Mary Jane Moore, Tanya Davis, Staci Gary, Jeff Kuchar
- Meeting called to order at 3:35 p.m. by Committee President Jay Stone
- TEKS Resource System
 - Dr. Duhon reported that a voluntary survey was made available to teachers currently using the TEKS Resource System and survey results indicate that teachers using the system still find that it is a valuable resource. Renewal of the TEKS Resource System will be presented at the Monday, May 12, board agenda for approval.
- Texas Educator Evaluation & Support System
 - Dr. Cavness gave an overview of the background of the district's participation in the 2014-2015 Texas Educator Evaluation & Support System pilot.
 - Dr. Duhon made a presentation to DEIC members that outlined components of the new teacher and principal appraisal instruments. The majority of the information provided focused on the teacher evaluation instrument since that is the information that was provided to state superintendents and their pilot teams at recent kick-off training in Austin.
 - Dr. Cavness announced that teachers who are supposed to be evaluated next year in the three-year rotation schedule will continue to be evaluated with the current appraisal instrument but that teachers will be asked to volunteer to be appraised with the new instrument. This will give those teachers a preview of the instrument and will help them prepare for 2015-2016 when it will be required. In addition, it will give our teachers a "voice" by providing feedback to the state regarding the instrument.
 - Some DEIC members asked questions and answers were provided based upon limited information from TEA.
 - Dr. Cavness reported that the district's pilot participation will be shared with the board at the Monday, May 12, board meeting.
 - Dr. Duhon will create a Google Doc so that DEIC committee members can make comments about the pilot.
 - Dr. Duhon will share the Google Doc presentation with DEIC members so they can share with others, as needed.
- Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.