

District Advisory Committee (DAC) Minutes
November 13, 2007

Present: Dr. David Faltys, Dr. Jan Morgan, Dr. René Moses, Lori Allison, Sherri Williams, Donna Rafferty, Judy Tough, Latricia Earley, Suzanne Newell, Elaine Cox, Sandra Griffin, Robert Nell, Misty Fowler, Carol DeVinny, JoAnn Peterson, Trish McKeel, Oscar Gomez, Brittany Vawter, Jenna Chitwood, Marie Okerson, Maureen Fallon, Mary Jo Small, Debbie Francis, Brenda Nesbitt, Mary Lehrer, Billy Gresham, Leslie Walker, Keri LeJeune, Karla Sisson, Tara Reynolds, Kristin Maggi, Sheresa Jordan, Mike Xu, DaNiel Hill, Amy Nowlin.

The meeting began at 5:08 PM. Carroll ISD 6th -12th and Advanced Academics Coordinator, Dr. René Moses, gave a presentation on SAT/ACT results. Comparative results were shown at both the state and national level. One DAC member indicated a desire to see Highland Park ISD's data. Dr. Moses will make the data available to DAC members for their information.

Dr. Faltys spoke to DAC members about a newly developed Carroll ISD tri-fold informational brochure. The brochure includes a center pocket housing pertinent district information and will provide an information sheet outlining CISD's Mission and Goals along with other useful information. The brochure was developed by the CISD Communications and Marketing Department and will be available to community members, new residents and new CISD staff members. Dr. Faltys briefly discussed the CISD Mission statement and the five CISD goals. Dr. Faltys also discussed the draft District Improvement Plan, a copy of which was given to DAC members during the meeting.

Dr. Morgan asked if DAC members wished to suggest any additional ground rules for the committee. None were offered by DAC members; however, Dr. Morgan did recommend one additional ground rule, which is: Speak candidly and honestly and represent the perspective of those whom you represent.

Carroll ISD K-5 Curriculum Coordinator, Mrs. Lori Allison, discussed the state textbook adoption process. At the November 12, 2007 School Board meeting, the Board of Trustees approved the membership of the 2007-08 Textbook Adoption Committee. A textbook adoption recommendation will be brought to the Board of Trustees by this committee in March of 2008.

The public may preview sample of textbooks up for adoption at the Region XI, Education Service Center, 3001 North Freeway, Fort Worth, TX until approximately February of 2008. Information from the Region XI website is noted below:

**Textbook Preview Center
Now Open M-F 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

[Information on Textbook Preview Day, January 11th, 2008](#)

Texas state textbook regulations require that all textbooks and other materials submitted for adoption under Proclamation 2005 be available for review at the Education Service Center Region XI, 3001 North Freeway, Fort Worth, Texas.

Beginning May 7, 2007, citizens may review textbooks from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each working day Monday through Thursday and from 9:00 a.m. – noon on Fridays

**The following subjects are being considered for adoption:
Mathematics, Grades Kindergarten through 5th Grade**

Textbooks are available for review or checkout. For appointments or additional information contact Bonnie Barnes, Textbook Coordinator at (817) 740-3613 or bbarnes@esc11.net

Dr. Morgan further discussed the DRAFT District Improvement Plan with DAC members. Dr. Morgan asked DAC members to note that “Goals” are static and may not be changed. On or before the December 4, 2007 DAC meeting, committee members will receive strategies associated with the already established “Quality Indicators” and “Objectives”.

At 6:20 PM, DAC members separated into small groups and discussed the DRAFT 2008-2009 school year calendars (Options A, B, C, D & E). Discussion indicated that the most important considerations are:

1. The ending date of the school year is of significant importance
2. The inclusion of staff development days during the school year is of significant importance
3. Members would prefer Monday, August 27 as the starting date for the school year
4. Members would prefer that Memorial Day be kept as a holiday

DAC members overwhelmingly recommended that Option B be brought to the Board of Trustees for its consideration. The Communications and Marketing Department will be asked to post 2007-08 School Calendar, Option B, to the district website for input from parents, community members and CISD staff members between November 14 and November 30, 2007.

The number and use of early release days was also discussed by DAC members. DAC members were in favor of including six early release days as part of the 2008-09 calendar. DAC members unanimously supported including staff development days and early release days in the 2008-09 school calendar. The Board of Trustees is expected to review and discuss calendar Option B at its December 3, 2007 meeting.

The meeting concluded at 7:03 PM.

The next scheduled DAC meeting will be on Tuesday, December 4, 2007, from 5:00 – 7:00 PM in the Dawson Middle School library at 400 S. Kimball Avenue, Southlake, TX.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Barbara Mayell Yelton for Jan Morgan, Assistant Superintendent for Instructional Services.