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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DISTRICTWIDE EDUCATIONAL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

November 13, 2008

4:30 p.m.

NEEC

Board Room

The meeting was called to order by Mary Baker, Chairman. In attendance were: Vicki Auth, Mary Baker, Jana Carter, Pam Darling, Scott, DeSha, Susan Fox, Reagan Greer, Karen Katims, Mandy Kaupert, Toni Keith, Rosa Lopez, Alicia Million, Sybel Pici, Michael Pitts, Raul Quiroz, Danny Rafajko, Christina Ritter, Scott Rogers, Patricia Stone, Jennifer Stotts, Christopher Thompson, Sandra Torres, and Jacqueline Walsh. The following were absent: Eric Brunson, David Dretke, Melissa Gavlick, Kathryn Hancock, Becky Kirbo, Mark Koehl, and Holly McCollum. Dr. Don Dalton, Executive Director for Curriculum Compliance joined the Council to address issues pertaining to his field of expertise. The following is a summary of the DEIC discussion.

Agenda Item #1, Welcome, (Mary Baker) Ms. Baker called the meeting to order and then welcomed all members.

Agenda Item #2, Final Copy of the 2008-2009 DEIC Brochure (Dr. Thomas) The 2008-2009 final copy of DEIC Brochure was handed out to the Council. After reviewing the brochure, the Council recommended making a few minor corrections. A revised final brochure will be sent via email to the Council for distribution as needed.

Agenda Item # 3, Proposed 2009-2010 Calendar (Dr. Thomas) The Council discussed a proposed 2009 – 2010 Calendar that was presented by Dr. Don Dalton, Executive Director for Curriculum Compliance. He said the first day of instruction for the 2009-2010 school year can not come before August 24, 2009. This is mandated by the Texas Education Code, which states a school district may not begin instruction for students for a school year before the fourth Monday (week) in August. Dr. Dalton said the proposed calendar must contain 187 days with 177 days for student instruction and 10 days for teacher professional development/work days, with the first day of instruction on August 24, 2009 and last day of instruction on June 3, 2009. The Calendar is within the legal guidelines established by the State of Texas.

After a thorough discussion, a motion was made and seconded by the Council to propose the 2009-2010 Calendar to the Superintendent for consideration as an agenda item for the Board of Trustees' approval at the regular monthly Board of Trustees' meeting on December 8, 2008.

Agenda Item # 4, Schedule of DEIC Meeting Dates (Dr. Thomas) A schedule for 2008-2009 DEIC Meetings was handed out to the Council. After a brief discussion a motion was made and seconded to amend the previous meeting schedule by changing the February 12, 2009 date to February 19, 2009.

Miscellaneous Items, (Dr. Thomas) Council member Mr. Reagan Greer requested information/updates regarding instructional facilities bond projects. Dr. Thomas said she would forward the request to Mr. Gary Sullivan, Executive Director for Construction Management & Engineering and invite him to address questions at the next regularly scheduled DEIC meeting in December.

Another item brought up by Karen Katims, Community Representative for DEIC, was information on an exhibit coming to San Antonio in February 2009 regarding the Anne Franks dairies. Ms. Katims said the exhibit was free of charge and open to the public. She presented Dr. Thomas with a brochure with all the information. Dr. Thomas said she would have the information brochure posted on the Excellence By Design (EBD), a Division of Instruction weekly electronic newsletter that is e-mailed to all principals, and the DEIC via email.

Agenda Item # 5, Next Meeting Date, (Mary Baker) The next regularly scheduled DEIC meeting is December 11th to be held in the Board Room, 1st floor NEEC building from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Agenda Item # 6, Adjournment (Mary Baker) The meeting was adjourned at 5:28 p.m.