

District Advisory Committee Minutes

September 30, 2014 @1:30PM

In attendance:

Brad Clanton	Lacy Sage	James Allison	Kelly Baggett
Laurie Smith	Kay Schreier	Karen Green	Heidi Blair
Janie Fryar	Lynsey Coker	Val Gonzales	Mike Baker
Melissa Clanton	Candelaria Jackson	Donna Pugh	Allan Wolf

❖ Call to order

- Welcome New Members
 - All members present were given a copy of the DAC handbook
- Election of Officers
 - ◆ Laurie Smith- Chair
 - ◆ Val Gonzales- Vice Chair
 - ◆ Melissa Clanton- Secretary

❖ Approval of Minutes

❖ Bond and Facility Update- Mr. Baggett

- New Stadium
 - Turf and track down
 - Rain has slowed construction
 - Will not be completed in time for any FB games this season
 - Projected completion is January 2015
 - Will host district track meet in April 2015
- Ag Farm
 - As discussed last year, the district is looking to purchase land to move the Ag Farm
- Cactus
 - Plan is to have Children's Hope students, technology dept., migrant program, parent liaison, and DAEP/EDGE housed at the campus
- ABC
 - Installed 2 portable classrooms because large enrollment increase
- Capitol
 - complete
- South
 - Restroom and abatement projects are complete

- Cafeteria construction will take place in summer 2015
 - Currently 6 double portables and restroom trailers with decks to make them ADA accessible
 - Current projects are painting and ceiling renovations along with plumbing evaluation
 - In 2005, Lowery Plumbing replaced sewer pipes from man hole to grease trap and did not use a lift or provide enough slope (according to recent camera probing used to investigate current plumbing problems). Possible solutions may include saw cutting the slab on top of pipes if it is determined pipes are collapsed and installing a lift station to combat slope and dips in current pipes.
 - Ms. Kay Schreier addressed Mike and Allan stating that the backup of the sewer was very inconvenient and they should come spend a day in the classrooms to experience this. She also stated that the teachers' restroom had what she believed to be black mold and needed to be taken care of as well. The gentlemen stated they were aware of the situations and apologized for the inconvenience, but asked her to convey their thanks to the entire South community for their patience and support as they search for a solution to fix the problem permanently rather than a quick fix that will cost more money in the long run. Mr. Baggett also responded that he agreed we need to find a permanent solution and reiterated the problem and possible solutions. Ms. Schreier asked Mr. Baggett for a private meeting, so the two left to meet behind closed doors.
- LIS
 - Auditorium currently under construction for ADA compliance and new seating
 - Bids will open in spring
 - Construction will begin summer of 2015
 - Will be a massive project
 - Total plumbing evaluation
 - Elevator will be in same place and ADA compliant
 - Portables will be moved from South to LIS to house classrooms that are displaced by construction.
- LMS
 - Tennis courts complete except seating
- LHS
 - Science labs (4) are currently under construction @ 1400 sq ft which is minimum required by the state and should be completed by spring semester
 - New greenhouse will be constructed
 - New technology closets will be completed
- Irrigation
 - Bids are open

- Looks to be coming in under budget
 - Total irrigation and drip hoses
 - Begin in Jan. and about 3 months to complete district wide project
 - Start with winter Rye grass and then Bermuda to grow in
- ❖ Schedule Bond Oversight Committee
 - DAC members will also serve on the Bond Oversight Committee
- ❖ Presentation of District Data
 - TEA Accountability Summary
 - Complete report available from the TEA Performance Reporting Division web site
 - Met standard
 - Student achievement
 - Student progress
 - Closing performance gaps
 - Postsecondary readiness
 - Performance Index 1-4 are all above state standard
 - No distinctions were earned
 - System Safeguards scored 96%
- ❖ District Educational Plan Topics
 - Comprehensive Needs Assessment (strengths and needs)
 - Demographics
 - Student achievement
 - Culture and climate
 - Staff quality, recruitment, and Retention
 - Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment
 - Family and Community Involvement
 - Technology (build infrastructure to support)
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 - District Improvement Plan Goals
 - Accountability rating : Met Standard
 - 6 goals have been developed
 - Complete plan is available upon request and was generated using Plan4Learning.com
 - System Safeguards
 - Detailed safeguards detailing how the goals will be met is also available upon request and generated using Plan4Learning.com
- ❖ Grants
 - Monsanto
 - Special thanks to Gracie Ruiz and Jerry Beard

- Awarded 10K to LMS for graphing calculators
- All 8th graders 1:1 access
- 7th grade math classes will have one set for classroom use
- ❖ Career and Technical Education (CTE)
 - New graduation requirements/Endorsements/Certifications
 - Program Changes—TEEN Leadership Classes/ Freshmen Principals Class requirements
 - Rational is to educate students on the graduation plans and choices
- ❖ ESL/Bilingual Programs
 - LEP Evaluations
 - Enrollment/Population Issues
 - Aprox. 200 students by end of 2014-2015
 - Implementation of ELPS
 - Required by all ESL and bilingual teachers
- ❖ Discipline Management
 - New EDGE program
 - Replaces STAR program
- ❖ Miscellaneous
 - Rumors-Mr. Baggett
 - District is NOT \$6M over budget
 - Val Gonzales asked why this was published in the paper 2 times
 - Mr. Baggett was unclear why this was published
 - Intermediate IS included in the bond and is next to begin HUGE renovations
 - It is illegal to use bond money to supplement the budget
 - Fund balance can't be used for bond projects
 - Yes, there are some overages associated with the bond projects, but there are also some that are under budget
 - New stadium was TEA mandated, not a "because we wanted to" project
 - When the bond was voted on, the community results showed community pride in the existing school district buildings which resulted in remodeling rather than new building construction.
 - After the annex is vacated, the building and land will be sold.