



District Education Improvement Committee

MINUTES

OCTOBER 17, 2023

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 4:30 P.M.

CHALLENGER COLUMBIA STADIUM, COMMUNITY ROOMS

FACILITATOR	Dr. Susan Silva
MEMBERS PRESENT	Stephanie Albert, Staci Allen, Wendy Atkins, Madison Beerbower, Kelly Boultinghouse, Jesse Carns, Candace Charo, Kim Coffee, Danielle Davis, Julie Edwards, Geard Emig, Renaia Eugene, Jani Golightly, Amada Gordon, Caleb Hairgrove, Kimberly Hall, Ann Hammond, Cal Hitchman, Kimberly Hollan, Stephen Horton, Janice Mallory, Jill Moody, Christie Morgan, Linda Myers, Becky Nations, Audra Parden, Lorena Pena, Macy Rain, Sabrina Ricaldi, Glencora Rodgers, Emily Russell, Angela Salgy, Nancy Segura, Liane Soukup, Judith Sutphin, Brooke Watson.
ADMINISTRATORS PRESENT	Dr. Karen Engle, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Susan Silva, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning; Dr. Angela Stallings, Assistant Superintendent of Instructional Services, Mr. Paul Miller, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services, Mr. Franklin Moses, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education.

Agenda topics

DISCUSSION
<p>1. Welcome. Meeting Norms and Outcomes Dr. Susan Silva, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching & Learning, called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and welcomed the committee and briefly discussed meeting norms and outcomes of today’s meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be kind, respectful, have fun, stay engaged • Connect with others • Vote on a Chairperson • Review/approve meeting minutes • Review new course proposal • Learn about the VATRE and Bond Election • Learn about CCEF Work • Make commitments
<p>2. Review and Approve September Minutes Dr. Susan Silva gave the committee time to read over the minutes from September’s meeting, asked for comments, questions or corrections. Seeing none, the minutes were approved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved minutes will be posted on the website.
<p>3. Elect Chairperson Dr. Susan Silva stated there was only one nominee for chairperson. It was Kelly Boultinghouse, she was the chairperson last year as well, no need to have a vote since she is unopposed, and she meets all the requirements. Dr. Silva asked Kelly to say a few words to the committee, especially for the new members that may not know her.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kelly has been in the district 16 years. • Experiences include working with gifted and talented education, magnet campuses at the intermediate level, special education, title 1 campuses and learning technology. • Currently serving in the role as an LTC at Stewart Elementary, Clear Creek Intermediate and League City Intermediate. • As your DEIC Chairperson, I will continue to make it a priority to strengthen collaboration between the sub committees and to always be an advocate for our faculty, our staff and our students.
<p>4. Review New Course Proposal Dr. Susan Silva gave background information for Vision 2030 as this new course is an outcome from the goals which that committee came up with. By 2030.....</p>

- Pre-Kindergarten for all
- Be a Leader in Me District
- Redesign Intermediate school learning systems
- Graduates with competencies of a profile of a learner

The Profile of CCISD Learners

- Creators and Critical Thinkers
- Collaborators and Contributors
- Communicators and Connectors
- Compassionate and Confident

5. Launch!

Dr. Susan Silva explained this new course is for ALL 6th grade students and directly supports one of the goals from the Vision 2030 plan as stated above.

- The purpose of this course is to empower 6th graders with a foundation of habits and tools for personal and interpersonal success as they transition from elementary school to middle school, high school and beyond. The course will also provide a variety of career exploration experiences to support student development as they prepare for future career pathways.
- Questions? Will this be an elective? Dr. Silva explained it will take the place of one of the double blocked ELA courses they currently have. Data has not shown that doubling up on ELA has improved test scores. Will this result in additional hires? Not particularly, as the school principals will utilize and shift qualified teachers around to teach this course.
- Next step, this course will be brought to the School Board for approval.

6. District Update and VATRE Bond

Dr. Karen Engle, Superintendent of schools, began by stating what a busy time of year this is for everyone, and she thanked the committee for their time and commitment for being here.

- She asked Glencora Rodgers to give a brief statement on attending the INSIDE CCISD event that occurred at Bay Elementary this morning.
- Dr. Engle also went on to say that the high school students have been given the opportunity to give us their feedback on how CCISD was doing. They completed applications for this process and the outcome has been very positive. Dr. Engle is overjoyed that we are creating a culture of belonging from K – 12 grades.

VATRE BOND – Dr. Engle discussed the Tax Rate Election – Proposition A

- School Safety is our top priority, and we are asking the taxpayers of CCISD to approve a 3-cent tax rate increase.
- In comparison with other neighboring districts, CCISD has one of the lowest taxes and to continue to pay our monthly operating bills, we are in need of this increase.
- Homeowners 65 and older will not have a tax increase with the homestead exemption

Dr. Engle asked Mr. Paul Miller, Assistant Superintendent of Support Services to talk about Bond Propositions B and C

- Prop B is for School Improvements – priority repairs and replacements of school systems such as HVAC, roofs, life safety, security, and school busses. Expand cybersecurity capabilities, replace musical instruments and athletic equipment and to expand the East Ag facility to meet the program demand. This is a \$265 million school bond proposal.
- Prop C is for Instructional Technology – purchase student and staff computers. This is a \$37 million technology bond proposal.
- Go Vote on November 7th – Early Voting begins Monday, October 23rd.

7. Clear Creek Education Foundation Update

Deborah Laine, Executive Director, could not attend this evening, but she asked Susan Silva to relay the following to the committee:

- Student Teacher Innovative Grant (STIG) and Mini-Grant Applications are OPEN, and the deadline is Monday, October 23, 2023. Apply through the grant portal.

8. Commitments

- Communicate what you learned with your campus or community.
- Live the CCISD Core Values each day.

- We added an additional meeting to the calendar. Please take note that this additional meeting is on Wednesday, January 17, 2024, and please add this additional meeting to your calendar.
- Please go vote on November 7th or you can vote early beginning October 23rd.
- We will see you again at our next meeting which will be after Thanksgiving, so everyone have a great Fall Break and we will see you on November 28, 2023

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Presentation: