



## Alta Vista Elementary

### Guiding Coalition & Campus Decision Making Committee

October 7, 2020 at 4:15 pm

Zoom Link: <https://wacoisd-org.zoom.us/j/4118341135>

Helton started the meeting via Zoom at 4:15 pm. Participants included Alta Vista staff, families of Alta Vista students, and members of several community organization (church, Grassroots, Boy Scouts).

Helton reviewed the agenda and norms for the meeting. Helton asks for participants to share celebrations. Villela celebrated supportive parents. Alvarado discussed how students and parents were wearing masks without issues. Frias (parent) commented on the increased communication from the school by utilizing SeeSaw. Helton discussed staff adapting to COVID rules and great community partners reaching out to support the school.

Helton shared the campus mission, vision, core values, and purpose-driven campus goals. Helton reviewed the instructional focus for the 2020-21 school year and asked for feedback from participants. Martinez (5th grade) reported that if students feel safe then they feel empowered to take ownership of their learning. Box discussed how the Habits of Discussion are helping students to talk with each other. Breeding mentioned that the coaching was helping her to better plan lessons and stay focused.

Helton shared the campus improvement plan and described its purpose for Title 1 schools. Malberg/Williams noticed that it included opportunities for all stakeholders to participate in order to improve student performance. Lane from Boy Scouts of America stated that there campus improvement plan had opportunities for Boys Scouts to participate and make a meaningful impact on student achievement. He shared his contact information with Helton so that Ward could reach out to him later.

Ward reviewed the parent involvement policy and home-school compact as part of the requirements for Title 1 funding. Ward encouraged everyone to complete the survey to provide feedback on both of these documents. No participants had feedback for improvement.

Helton discussed opportunities for family engagement activities and solicited feedback from participants. Student-led conferences will be done via Zoom over the course of the 2nd six weeks. Teachers will create a schedule in Sign Up Genius and it will be published via various school platforms. Frias asked how students would be able to share work and learning during the virtual conferences. Another participant suggested that we make a how-to video for parents on how to use Zoom so they feel confident about the conference. Helton reviewed plans for World Cultures Night. Helton asked about interest in a family meal being sold in lieu of Thanksgiving lunch. Participants were more interested in a "Grateful Gatherings" kit that could be sent home to families over the break with activities. Helton discussed activities for the winter STEM event; Villela was excited about providing free books for parents. Sierra recommended that videos be pushed out on Facebook and SeeSaw for engagement activities. Helton discussed plans for a holiday performance.

Helton asked for input and feedback on how the school was handling COVID and considerations that should be made for the 2nd six weeks. Participants suggested we make a video about important reminders for families that are returning. Villela asked if ELAR planning be rescheduled. Helton said it couldn't be rescheduled but it could be delayed until 8:30 am so teachers can greet and get new students settled. Frias asked how cleaning and social distancing procedures would be changing to accommodate more students.

Helton reviewed assessments currently underway and that future meetings would review this data.

Helton asked for feedback on professional development needs. Mentoring Minds/Itematica and Habits of Discussion are two upcoming topics. Villela and Box mentioned that vertical planning time with Region 12 was one of the most helpful forms of professional development.

Helton shared her email for any future feedback or questions and adjourned the meeting at 5:20 pm.

# CDMC Chat Notes

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16:11:10 From Lindsey Helton : CIP <https://www.wacoisd.org/Page/12194>  
16:11:30 From Lindsey Helton : Compact and Policy  
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16:13:08 From Lindsey Helton : Lindsey Helton  
16:13:11 From Will Ward : Will Ward  
16:13:11 From Paulina Golden : Paulina Golden  
16:13:16 From Jo Spark : Jo Spark  
16:13:40 From Janel Villela : BRB  
16:13:43 From Janel Villela : Janel Villela  
16:14:36 From Lindsey Helton : Please record your first and last name in the chat box so we know who's participating today.  
16:14:41 From Nancy Alvarado : Nancy Alvarado  
16:14:44 From Nicole Box : Nicole Box  
16:15:38 From wanda.williams : Wanda Williams  
16:15:43 From Ms. Martinez : Vanessa Martinez - 4th  
16:15:49 From John and Rachel DeMuth : John and Rachel DeMuth  
16:16:07 From Janel Villela : Im back :D  
16:16:41 From Elise Jones : Elise Jones - Grassroots  
16:16:58 From Ciaszharrai Lee : Ciaszharrai Lee  
16:16:58 From Jennifer Salazar : Jennifer Salazar- SPED Teacher  
16:17:53 From Rosemarie Sierra : Rosemarie Sierra  
16:18:36 From moto eS supra : laura Velasquez  
16:21:28 From cyntia frias : Cynthia Frias -Parent  
16:33:34 From Lindsey Helton : CIP <https://www.wacoisd.org/Page/12194>  
16:41:05 From Lindsey Helton : Compact and Policy  
<https://www.wacoisd.org/domain/6901>  
16:41:27 From KEVIN LANE : Kevin lane, Boy Scouts of America, 254-648-7048 cell. 300 Lake Air Dr, Waco  
16:42:05 From Lindsey Helton to KEVIN LANE(Privately) : Do you mind sharing your email as well?  
16:42:39 From KEVIN LANE : [Kevin.lane@scouting.org](mailto:Kevin.lane@scouting.org)  
16:42:57 From Lindsey Helton to KEVIN LANE(Privately) : Thank you!  
16:47:00 From Will Ward : Parents if you haven't add a chance to give feedback on our Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement Policy and Home School Compact visit this link to the Google Form: <https://forms.gle/7QSPwHtYuc5KvmVqF8>  
16:48:14 From Rebecca Maynard : I think sign up genius for student led conferences is a great idea!  
16:57:07 From Rosemarie Sierra : not all parents are on Facebook, I would use Seesaw too  
17:00:23 From Jessica : I like the bag.  
17:00:49 From Elena Torres-Breeding : I like the bag too  
17:00:31 From Elise Jones : [elise@grassrootswaco.org](mailto:elise@grassrootswaco.org)  
17:10:42 From Maria O. : I like that idea as well as a parent !  
17:14:01 From Jennifer Salazar to Lindsey Helton(Privately) : I have a 5:15 meeting so I have to log off but I'll get with you in the morning and see if I missed anything. Thank you. This was a great meeting!  
17:20:16 From Lindsey Helton : [lindsey.helton@wacoisd.org](mailto:lindsey.helton@wacoisd.org)