

MINUTES OF THE DISTRICT OF INNOVATION COMMITTEE
EL CAMPO INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
March 21, 2019

The District of Innovations Committee for the El Campo Independent School District met at 5:30 pm on March 21, 2019, at Meadow Lane Resource Center, 2620 Meadow Lane, El Campo, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mauri Couey, Tana Martin, Vanessa Rod, Alicia Stary, Linda Supak, Kelly Waters

MEMBERS ABSENT: Greg Anderson, Amy Araguz, Keith Beal, Cami Berglund, Suzanne Brandl, David Bright, Kassie Cerny, Debbie Chappell, JJ Croix, Rebecca Crowell, Cecil Davis, Rich DuBroc, Gilbert Escamilla, Mark Freeman, Melissa Guttenberger, Penny Hiltbold, Amanda Klatt, Kate Manriquez, Meredith Martin, Tish McAlister, Laura Motal, James Priesmeyer, Amy Rod, Elizabeth Tupa, Demetric Wells

COMMITTEE WELCOME: The District of Innovation Committee began at approximately 5:30 PM with a welcome from Dolores Trevino, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction.

Update Plan: Mrs. Trevino addressed the committee mentioning that the state does not require an annual meeting and that the ECISD DOI Committee had requested a yearly meeting to check-in on the plan. Members present reiterated the desire to have a yearly meeting to review the impact of the plan.

Mrs. Trevino asked the committee to review the updated changes to be made to the DOI plan document.

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- The committee discussed members who were no longer in the district or had move locations. Mrs. Trevino asked the committee if they thought replacements should be found for committee members no longer active. Mrs. Kelly Waters suggested that the committee should leave them off without replacing them, and if the need arises where they need to make drastic changes to the plan, they can select new committee members to have a fresh start. The committee decided to take them off since a "new" member would not have the background knowledge of the committee and the following changes were made: Changing Mrs. Vanessa Rod's campus to Northside. Adding Elizabeth Tupa new principal of Hutchins Elementary. Removing staff no longer working for the district: Carolyn Gordon (replaced by Alicia Stary), Jane Radley, and LeAnn Pelley. Removing community members who moved out of district or no longer wished to be a part of the committee: JJ Croix, Travis Hogg. Re-ordering committee list by campus, community and board representative.
- Replace the updated Strategic Plan and College and Career Ready Graduate Profile.

The committee members present voted all in favor of updating the DOI information.

Report on Teacher Certification and recommended updates: Mrs. Waters reported that in 18-19 the district hired on twelve new non-certified teachers who qualified for employment under the qualifications of under the DOI plan. Mrs. Waters recommended the following changes be made to the Innovation: Teacher Certification: Under Local Innovation or Guidelines, add to the end of the first bulleted item "or hard to fill subject areas such as math, science, and Spanish."

Report on School Calendar & Minutes of Instruction: Mrs. Tana Martin discussed the 2019-2020 calendar which faculty voted for in the Fall. The new calendar consists of the same number of minutes, 76,710, which is the same as the current year. This includes two bad weather make-up days as well as graduation taking place on May 22, 2020. Mrs. Martin explained that the district calendar committee divided to form 5 groups; each group them composed their ideal calendar. From those five calendars, the committee then voted for

three to present to all district employees to vote on. The committee discussed the DOI calendar process created the 18-19 and 19-20 calendars.

Report on Class Size: Mrs. Alicia Stary presented the committee with the current class sizes per the Innovation: Class Size. There are currently four GT classes with more than 22 students. Two 2nd grade classes, and one 3rd grade class with 23 students, and one 4th grade class with 24 students.

Report on Campus Behavior Coordinator: Mrs. Waters discussed the Campus Behavior Coordinators. She passed out handouts to the committee, which detailed the progress of the behavior committees for each campus. Mrs. Waters stated that the campus committees meet regularly on each campus and report to the board each month.

Wrap-up: Mrs. Trevino opened the floor to questions and feedback regarding the DOI plan. Mrs. Waters discussed the different proposed education bills.

FUTURE MEETING DATES: The DOI committee will plan to meet next year in the Fall of 2019. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:05 pm.