



District-Wide

Consultation

Committee

**DWCC Minutes – Wednesday, May 2, 2012
District Consultation Committee**

The Districtwide Consultation Committee met on Wednesday, May 2, 2012, at 4:00 pm in the Crockett Room at One AISD Center. Chair, Cindy Earles, called the meeting to order. Members present were Kay Loftin, Sharlyn Bammel, Cindy Boyd, Al Dunlap, Cindy Hay, Steven Leggett, Charlene Richardson, Tom Tomaras, Jessica Melson and Adam Turner. Also present were Karen Stover and Phil Ashby. Stacy Gilley, Jennifer Raney and lead teachers from AHS were presenters.

Agenda:

- A. Welcome
- B. New Business
- C. Presentation by AHS staff
- D. Testing issues: Discussion of Resolution Concerning High Stakes Testing
- E. Meeting Days

I. Welcome:

- Cindy Earles welcomed the DWCC Committee members and guests.

II. New Business:

- Elections in the Fall:
 - Three places in rotation, unfilled position, and vacancy due to retirement.

III. Presentation: TTIPS Grant (Stacy Gilley and Jennifer Raney)

- Stacy Gilley, Director Office of School Improvement – Pilot program for the TTIPS Grant
 - One of the TTIPS Grant charges is for the Abilene High School TTIPS program staff to create a pilot teacher appraisal instrument that will improve teacher's efficiency.
 - AHS formed a committee made up of administrators and staff to develop a workable solution. They have been working on this project for a year and feel they have accomplished the first stage of 3 in the development on the evaluation instrument.
 - Once the overview presentation is made to the DWCC by the AHS team, they would like the DWCC to support their proposal to be presented to the Board of Trustees. This program, if approved, will **ONLY** be implemented at AHS.
- Jennifer Raney, Administrator of Instruction at AHS and the four lead teachers for the program presented an overview of what the teacher evaluation will do to help the growth and efficiency of their teachers. The 'FIVE DOMAINS' of the *TTIPS Teacher Appraisal Instrument* were presented by the following:
 - Domain 1 / Teaching and Learning – Lead Teacher, Stephanie Hammer
 - Domain 2 / Use of Assessment – Lead Teacher, Mary Goldsmith
 - Domain 3 / Culture & Climate – Lead Teacher, Jenny Miller
 - Domain 4 / Professional Growth – Chief Academic Officer, Kathy Walker
 - Domain 5 / Professionalism – Lead Teacher, Cindy Usery
- The team is very excited about the pilot and passionate in their work.
- ***The DWCC supports the proposed TTIPS Teacher Appraisal Instrument as presented by AHS staff on Wednesday, May 2, 2012 and recommends it be presented to the Board of Trustees.*** A motion to accept the recommendation to present the TTIPS Teacher Appraisal Instrument to the Board of Trustees was made by Sharlyn Bammel and seconded by Cindy Hay. Motion carried.

IV. Testing Issues: *'The Resolution Concerning High Stakes, Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students'*

- DWCC members were provided copies of the above-mentioned resolution which was crafted by TASA.
- This resolution calls on the Texas Legislature to *'reexamine the public school accountability system in Texas and to develop a system that encompasses multiple assessments, reflects greater validity, uses more cost efficient sampling techniques and other external evaluation arrangements, and more accurately reflects what students know, appreciate and can do in terms of the rigorous standards essential to their success, enhances the role of teachers as designers, guides to instruction and leaders, and nurtures the sense of inquiry and love of learning in all students.'*
- As of April 26, 2012, 412 districts have adopted the resolution.
- After discussion the DWCC put in motion the following:
 - The DWCC supports ***'The Resolution Concerning High Stakes, Standardized Testing of Texas Public School Students'*** and recommends the resolution be considered by the Board of Trustees.
 - A motion to accept the resolution to be presented to the Board of Trustees was made by Steven Leggett and seconded by Cindy Boyd. Motion carried.

V. Meeting Days:

- The next meeting will be in July (TBA). Contact will be made via email once the meeting date has been set.
- Subject for discussion will be changes to the *Student Code of Conduct Book*.

VI. Adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Karen Murphy,
Secretary for the DWCC