

10/7/21

4:15 pm

DEIC Meeting in KISD Board Room

Meeting Minutes:

Introductions were made for those in-person and participating by Zoom. In addition to the DEIC Committee members, Dr. Westfall, Lynn Jameson, Shannon Bryant, and Leigh Cook were present.

Dr. Westfall shared some of the success stories he has witnessed around the district lately and encouraged all member to consider joining Community Ambassadors for more information.

Jennifer Price shared the role of the DEIC and asked if anyone had any questions regarding how this group would function. There were no questions. Jennifer then shared information about where the meeting notes would be housed on the KISD website and the upcoming meeting dates. At that point, Jennifer passed the conversation to Lynn Jameson.

Lynn Jameson explained the TEA waiver process required for homebound students as indicated in slide 8. One question asked concerned the timeline for approval. Lynn explained that we have not yet received approval but are moving ahead with services for the students according to their ARDC.

Next, Shannon Bryant provided information about TxVSN and the waiver that we apply for each year. This is not COVID-specific. There were a number of questions regarding how many students and teachers are currently involved in this program, what grade levels are eligible to participate, and how this program might be expanded.

Next, Jennifer Price began sharing information about the Strategic Plan and how this would be something we hope to begin updating later this year and the DEIC Committee would be involved in that process. From there, we began discussing the DIP goal of increasing student achievement. This led to a detailed discussion of HB4545 and how that law is impacting our campuses this year. There were a number of questions regarding how many students have to participate, how this requirement is being funded, how long it will last, etc.

Jennifer then announce it was 5:30pm and suggested we move quickly through the rest of the slides, then we could come back to any items that anyone wanted to discuss further.

Leigh Cook quickly reviewed the remaining slides regarding the other DIP goals. There were no questions.

Next, Price shared the information already available for the December meeting and then shared the link for the members to provide feedback on the DIP and reminded everyone that they had access to view the materials again.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.