



GALENA PARK ISD 2013-2014

DISTRICT PLANNING & ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY OCTOBER 8, 2013

MEETING BEGAN AT 3:45 PM

AGENDA

- I. Welcome – Ms. Lalor
- II. Highly Qualified Plan – Ms. Lalor
- III. Goals 3 and 4 – Ms. Moreaux

MEMBERS PRESENT – CIM, GPE, GVE, MAC, NCE, COBB, NSMS, GPHS, NS9, NSSH, ZOTZ
 Business Member – Ms. Shalonda Dawkins
 Community Members – Ms. Linda Sherrard, Mr. Nathan Hyman

MEMBERS ABSENT –, CLE, HAV, JCE, NSE, PSE, PYB, SAM, SJW, TICE, WAES, CMS, GPMS, WAMS, Parent Member

CALL TO ORDER: WELCOME – Ms. Elizabeth Lalor, Executive Director of Educational Support, welcomed members to the 2nd DPAC Meeting of the year. She began by announcing the great news: the State of Texas granted a one year conditional waiver! The NCLB waiver gives TEA and districts across Texas additional flexibility. Under the waiver, schools will not be labeled as “having met AYP” (Adequate Yearly Progress). In addition, school districts will not have to set aside 20% of Title I Funds for Supplemental Educational Services (SES). Therefore, districts are at liberty to determine how funds will be spent, such as academic programs they see fit and effective for students.

HIGHLY QUALIFIED – Ms. Lalor was proud to share more exciting news: GPISD is 100% Highly Qualified for the 2nd year in a row! She presented the Highly Qualified Plan to the committee and explained Goals 1 – 7. The committee proposed a revision for Goal 4.1 – Change ~~Non-highly Qualified Teachers~~ to *New Teachers*.

Ms. Lalor then discussed the strategies used by the district to attract/retain highly qualified teachers:

- ✦ Conduct surveys to compare salaries with neighboring districts
- ✦ Implement partnership programs with Universities/Realtors
- ✦ Continue Mentorship Programs
- ✦ Maintaining excellent staff moral

Ms. Lalor asked members to review and approve Highly Qualified Plan. All members were in favor of approving the plan.

DIP: GOALS 3 AND 4 – A copy of the District Improvement Plan was distributed. Ms. Ella Moreaux, Executive Director of District School Improvement, conducted an overview of the following goals and each target in detail:

Goal 3: The District will define and implement measures by which student success for all subgroups can be determined, relative to the tested, foundation areas of curriculum in Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, English/Language Arts and Instructional Technology and report results to the BOT (Board of Trustees) annually.

The committee suggested they rephrase Target 3.7.

Goal 4: The district will implement strategies to meet Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) standards.

The committee agreed to merge Targets 4.1 and 4.2.

The updated versions of Goals 3 and 4 will be distributed at next month’s meeting for approval. Future topics of discussion will include: Accountability System Update, PBMAS Report.

CLOSING – Additional questions were addressed. Ms. Moreaux closed the meeting by thanking everyone for attending.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:30 PM
 NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2013