

2007-2008
**District-Level
Planning & Decision-Making
Committee**

September 19, 2007

Minutes

Members in Attendance

Teachers:

The Woodlands College Park Attendance Zone-Marie Moen, College Park High; Vicki Marsh, Collins Intermediate; Oak Ridge Attendance Zone-Debbie Dupre, Vogel Intermediate; The Woodlands Attendance Zone-David Vaughn, Deretchin Elementary and Ashley Pointer, McCullough Junior High.

Parents:

Caney Creek Attendance Zone-Jill Frazier, Caney Creek High; The Woodlands College Park Attendance Zone-Jenny Wright, Hailey Elementary; Conroe Attendance Zone- Nicola Weems; Oak Ridge Attendance Zone-James Engle, Oak Ridge High/York Junior High and Anne Smith, Glen Loch Elementary

Administrators:

Dr. Jean Stewart, Deputy Superintendent; Dr. Chris Hines, Associate Superintendent; Gale Drummond, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education; Dr. Cathy Gibson, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; Deanna Martin, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, & Staff Development; Kathy Clark, Director of Communications; Caney Creek Attendance Zone-Cindy Lentz, Austin Elementary; The Woodlands College Park Attendance Zone-Chris McCord, McCullough Junior High; Conroe Attendance Zone-Mike Crawl, Conroe High; Oak Ridge Attendance Zone-Gena Jerkins, York Junior High; The Woodlands Attendance Zone-Marie Hartley, Wilkerson Intermediate

Community/Business:

Caney Creek Attendance Zone—Kay Carter, Carters Florist & Nursery Landscaping, Inc.; Oak Ridge Attendance Zone-Venetia Wilks, Community; The Woodlands Attendance Zone-John Hennigan, Community

Facilitator:

Dr. Don Stockton, Superintendent of Schools

Call to Order:

Dr. Don Stockton called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. He welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the committee for the 07-08 school year. He reviewed the role and responsibilities of the committee.

Election of Chairperson

Dr. Stockton requested nominations for a chairperson. Mike Crawl, Principal of Conroe High School, was nominated and unanimously elected to the position.

Approval of July Minutes

The Committee reviewed the minutes from the July 18, 2007 meeting and they were approved.

Review of Board Meetings:

Dr. Stockton reviewed the summaries of the August 21, 2007 and the September 18, 2007 meetings of the Conroe ISD Board of Trustees.

Overview of District:

Dr. Stockton presented an overview of the District which included District Goals, budget information and tax rate, academic progress of students, "Read for a Better Life," Reading Initiative, and the senior exit interview results.

Approval of District Improvement Plan:

Goals 1,2, and 3

Deanna Martin, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Staff Development, discussed some of the staff development plans which support District Goals 1, 2 and 3. Bilingual Education and the Bilingual Teacher Academy, the T3 framework, Response to Intervention (RtI), Novice Teacher Academy, and the Student Success Initiative were areas that were highlighted. The committee unanimously approved Goals 1,2 and 3 for 2007-2008.

Curriculum and Instruction Initiatives 2007-2008

Dr. Cathy Gibson shared the following initiatives that elementary schools will utilize to enhance student success. Some of these included Summer School (summer, 2008) for Promotion in Grades 4, 5, and 6, implementation of Special Education Automation Software, the Step by Step approach for Inclusive Schools and Response to Intervention(RtI) piloted at several elementary campuses. Gale Drummond shared that The TAKS Academy will be offered to seventh and eighth grade students during the summer of 2008, an International Student Academy is being offered, and work is underway to support campuses by developing common assessments.

Approval of Modified Schedule Grant

Dr. Stewart explained the need for a Modified Schedule Grant on TAKS testing days. The Grant allows senior students to start the test later in the day without disruption to the attendance accounting process. The committee unanimously approved this grant.

Overview of Naming of new Facilities

Dr. Stewart explained the Conroe ISD Policy CW (local) for naming district facilities. The timeline for



meeting the requirements of the policy was discussed with the Committee. The Committee is charged with recommending names for the following District facilities: the new intermediate school replacing Grangerland Intermediate; the new junior high school replacing Moorhead Junior High School; the new junior high school replacing York Junior High School; the new intermediate school in Spring Trails; and the Ninth grade campus of Oak Ridge High School. The nomination process is being publicized to the community through the District web site, campus newsletters, and press releases. Members of the District-Level Planning and Decision-Making Committee will also solicit nominations. The Committee will review nominations for each facility and develop its recommendation to the Conroe ISD Board of Trustees at the October 17, 2007 meeting.

Volunteer for CISD Benefits Committee

Mike Crowl explained that the CISD Benefits Committee needed a representative from the DLPDM committee to volunteer to serve. Jill Frazier agreed to volunteer to serve on the CISD Benefits Committee.

Future Agenda items related to DLPDM Areas of Responsibility

Review nominations for Naming District Facilities

Next Meeting Date

October 17, 2007

Adjournment:

Mr. Crowl adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.