

District-Level Planning & Decision-Making Committee

February 19, 2020

Members in Attendance

Teachers:

Caney Creek Attendance Zone

Elaine Cates, Caney Creek HS

Oak Ridge Attendance Zone

Mindy Florian, Oak Ridge HS

The Woodlands Attendance Zone

Krissi Chambers, McCullough JH

The Woodlands College Park Attendance Zone

Taylor Sorenson, Lamar ES

Katrina Meng, Knox JH

Parents:

The Woodlands Attendance Zone

Lynne Heimer, Mitchell IS

The Woodlands College Park Attendance Zone

Jeff Lovering, Ride ES

Community/Business:

Caney Creek Attendance Zone

Matt Baker, Bakers Signs

Conroe Attendance Zone

Mona Hamby, Buckalew Chevrolet

Oak Ridge Attendance Zone

Debbie Sukin, Houston Methodist Hospital of TW

Administrators:

Dr. Chris Hines, Deputy Superintendent; Mr. Jim Kacur, Assistant Superintendent of Operations; Mr. Gregg Colschen, Assistant Superintendent for Secondary Education; Dr. Debbie Phillips, Assistant Superintendent for Elementary Education; Dr. Shellie Winkler, Director of Elementary Education; Sarah Blakelock, Director of Communications; Mrs. Teri Ross, Director of Information Systems; Mr. Terry McClougherty, Director of Network Services; Ms. Krissy Calhoun, Coordinator of Instructional Technology; Mrs. Paula Green, Assistant Director of Human Resources

Caney Creek Attendance Zone

Dr. Jeff Stichler, Caney Creek HS

Grand Oaks Attendance Zone

Brian Lee, York JH

Oak Ridge Attendance Zone

Dr. A.J. Livecchi, Oak Ridge HS

The Woodlands Attendance Zone

Alicia Reeves, Deretchin ES

District-Wide

Teresa Canon, Director of Special Education

Facilitator:

Dr. Curtis Null, Superintendent of Schools

Call to Order:

Dr. Stichler called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and thanked everyone for attending.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the January 15 meeting were approved as submitted.

Review of Board Summaries:

Dr. Null reviewed the summaries of the January and February meetings of the Conroe ISD Board of Trustees.

District Improvement Plan: Goal 6 Technology

Mrs. Ross, Mr. McClougherty, and Ms. Calhoun gave a brief overview of the technology across the District. The following questions were presented for group discussion:

1. Is there information/data that you wish was available in Parent Access?
2. What perceptions exist about application, device, and internet safety?
3. How do you feel about one device for every student at the intermediate and junior high levels?
4. What are your thoughts about providing devices that students could check out to access the internet from home?

District Improvement Plan: Goal 3 Recruitment, Development, and Retention of Staff

Mrs. Green gave an overview of the Human Resources Department activities and presented the following questions for discussion:

1. What strategies and resources can be used in Conroe ISD to recruit quality, diverse applicant pools, particularly in identified shortage areas?
2. How can Conroe ISD differentiate the support provided to novice teachers as compared to neighboring districts?
3. What perceptions exist for the reasons why teachers leave Conroe ISD? What challenges are faced in retaining first year teachers?

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Annual Performance Report:

Dr. Hines shared some of the highlights from the District's Annual Performance Report. This data is received and presented throughout the year.

Approval of Low Attendance Waiver for Caney Creek HS on January 31

Dr. Hines shared that Caney Creek High School experienced low attendance on January 31, 2020, due to false rumors that raised safety concerns among students and their families. The Committee was asked to approve the presentation of a waiver to the Board of Trustees for potential submission to TEA. If TEA approves the waiver application, Caney Creek High School will be allowed to excuse the instructional day from average daily attendance and foundation school funding calculations.

Motion: Brian Lee

Second: Dr. A.J. Livecchi

The waiver was unanimously approved.

Future Meeting Dates:

The next meeting date is July 15, 2020.

Adjournment:

Dr. Stichler adjourned the meeting at 5:31 p.m.

