

DEIC Meeting Minutes 10/14/2021

In attendance we had 1 parent - 1 community member - 5 teachers - 3 campus administrators - 3 paraprofessionals (see sign-in sheet for specifics)

Mr. Casner called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm

Mr. Casner thanked everyone for attending and explained the value and importance of their input.

Powerpoint presentation covering

- A. BQA local policy (why - who - when) DEIC
- B. District improvement plan highlights
 - a. Summary of student population and teaching staff experience
 - b. District Goals for 2021
 - i. Mr. Casner would show the goals then open discussion regarding each of the goals
 - ii. He also explained why some goals went to the year 2024 as opposed to just 2022.
 - iii. There was some really good discussion regarding Career Tech education and about adding possible programs to what Kenedy ISD already has.
 - 1. Some programs discussed - HVAC - Cosmetology - Pharmacy Tech - Security Guard - Dental Assistant
 - 2. Discussion also led to why programs were important and how the selection of programs was determined
 - c. After covering the District Goals, and the CTE discussion, Mr. Casner asked if there were any questions regarding the district goals or how we (the district) arrived at them. There were no questions
- C. Accountability
 - a. Mr. Casner shared the 2020-2021 Kenedy ISD STAAR Data
 - b. As he shared the STAAR data he would compare the results to 2019 and
 - c. We had some discussion as to why scores declined between 2019 and 2021
 - i. COVID school closures - 6 months of learning loss
 - ii. COVID outbreaks cause increased absenteeism
 - iii. Teacher turnover
- D. ESSER Funding
 - a. Mr. Casner explained how much ESSER funding we received from each ESSER Grant, as well as how the funding had to be spent. There were a few questions about whether funding could be spent on things like playground equipment or CTE structures/materials.

E. Attendance report

- a. Mr. Casner shared the attendance percentages of each grade level for the 1st 9 weeks of the school year
 - i. District average is 90%
 - ii. There was some discussion about the COVID Cycle and how attendance was currently on the rise here at the campuses

After the attendance report - Mr. Casner thanked everyone again for attending and for being willing participants. He also said he looked forward to working with them and that their input was highly valued. He said we covered a lot of material in a short amount of time. This was a lot to absorb. He asked if anyone had any questions and if not they were free to leave. Before everyone left he scheduled the next meeting for Nov 11, 2021 .
Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm

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