

The ARLINGTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT-LEVEL INSTRUCTIONAL DECISION-MAKING COMMITTEE functions as a representative advisory group for all AISD professional staff with regard to the establishment and review of the district's educational mission, goals, objectives and major district wide classroom instructional programs.

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WELCOME

Wendy Britton, Co-Facilitator, welcomed the committee.

ELEMENTARY REPORT CARD

Debbie Williams, Executive Director of Elementary Instruction, shared the membership of the Elementary Report Card Committee. This committee's purpose is to consider the frequency of the kindergarten and first grade report cards, numerical grades for science and social studies for the second grade report card, separate report cards for PK3 and PK4, and the content of the report cards for PK3, PK4, kindergarten, first grade, and second grade. Future steps in the process were shared.

BENCHMARK TESTING CALENDAR

Dr. Wally Carter, Director of Accountability and Testing, shared the 2010-2011 Calendar and the proposed 2010-2011 AISD Testing Schedule. The testing schedule was shared with principals on February 11. All campuses will have the opportunity to give input to the testing calendar. The DMA testing window is earlier due to DRA2 recommendation to administer the first assessment after 6 weeks of school. Common assessments were added for upcoming End of Course exams for English I, Geometry, Chemistry, and World History. The timeline is the basically the same as in past years. Explanations including rationale regarding the testing schedule were shared for the entire testing schedule. Tests were discussed for all subjects and grades. The intent of sharing the testing calendar at this time is to get feedback from the campuses as early as possible. We are at the lower end of frequency with required benchmarks in comparison with other districts.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Teresa Williamson, Director of Professional Development, reviewed professional development that has occurred during the 2009-2010 school year. She also discussed future professional development for the 2010 – 2011 and 2011-2012 school years. During 2010-2011 the focus will be on PDAS, TEAMS expanded, and continued implementation of RTI and Vertical Alignment. Other areas of focus will be new teacher training and mentoring, on-line professional development, and data reports from ERO. The three core areas will continue to be Environment, Instruction, and Assessment. The committee shared concerns and comments.

TEXTBOOK ADOPTION 2010-2011 PROCESS

Karen Hill, Executive Director of Secondary Instruction, discussed the textbook adoption process and schedule. The committee's recommendation will be presented to the Board of Trustees on March 11, 2010 as an Action Item.

TOPIC FOCUS 2009-2010

Further discussion on Professional Development will be shared at our next meeting.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 7:15 P.M.

QUESTIONS - To facilitate the answering of your question:

1. See if it can be answered with the resources within your building. 2. Refer your question in writing to the appropriate committee.

Scope of DIDC: Limited to AISD's educational goals, objectives, curriculum or instructional programs.

Scope of Professional Communication Committee: Limited to wages, salaries, hours of work, benefits (excluding insurance) and conditions of work of Districtwide importance. **Contact: Rhonda Clark, Administration Building**

Insurance Committee Contact Person: Laura Clark, Administration Building

Calendar Committee Contact Person: Jimmy Walker, Administration Building

Paraprofessional Communication Committee Contact Person: Rick Tice, Administration Building

Maintenance/Operations/Warehouse Communication Committee Contact Person: Mike Shipskey

Transportation Communication Committee Contact Person: Mary DelBrail

Food Service Communication Committee Contact Person: Jackie Anderson

If you have **suggestions** about any of the AISD's educational goals, objectives, curriculum or instructional programs, please fill out this form and attach it to a summary of your comments.

Send to DIDC, Attention: Wendy Britton c/o Karen Hill, Secondary Instruction, Arlington Independent School District, Arlington, Texas 76013. Please include your name and phone number so we may respond to your request personally.

Name: _____ School: _____ Grade: _____ Subject: _____

Topic: _____

Suggested Solution: _____

Would you like to be contacted personally by a member of the DIDC? _____ Yes _____ No

Please note: The District Level Instructional Decision Making Committee (DIDC) UPDATE is now on the AISD Website*.

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