

EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF MEETING AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENT ADVOCATES (AASA) MARCH 17, 2011 6:00 P.M. DISTRICT OFFICE – BOARD ROOM

Present:

Mulugeta Habtegabriel
Sharon Jackson
Barbara Applewhite
Edgar Davis
Derek Grasty

Lorenzo Jackson
Jeff Moore
Karen Ranson
Socorro Reyes-McCord
Beverly Tolbert

Debra Watkins
Dan Moser
Mary Guillen
Kirsten King

1. Welcome & Introductions: Superintendent Dan Moser

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Superintendent Moser extended a welcome to all in attendance at the meeting.

2. Approval of February 10, 2011, AASA Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the February 10, 2011, meeting was approved by consensus.

3. Communication – Use of TeleParent

- ***District Policy to Allow Parent/Community Support in Calling Other Numbers Available (i.e. emergency) to get Updates for Disconnected Numbers***

Mr.Habtegabriel shared with the Committee that Socorro Reyes-McCord recently made phone calls announcing a parents meeting at Oak Grove High School. There were five pages of telephone numbers. Half of the numbers were disconnected. He asked, "How can we keep up the information?" He also asked if they could volunteer to call the emergency numbers to obtain current parent contact phone numbers.

Superintendent Moser indicated that he would look into the request. He will also check if there is another method to obtain updated information.

Also discussed was the placement of a written report by AASA on a Board meeting agenda. Superintendent Moser indicated that the item could be placed on the agenda at the May or June Board meeting under the Written Reports section of the agenda. This section of the agenda is to receive the report; no other action is taken on this item.

Mr. Habtegabriel indicated that he would prefer to have the item on the agenda as an “action” item. The document contains an extensive list of recommendations. It is a push forward to establish uniform communications at all sites, for example School Loop. AASA will discuss the month (May or June) they would like to have the item placed on the Board meeting agenda.

4. Disciplinary Chart

The ESUHSD Uniform Disciplinary Chart was shared with the Committee.

Mr. Habtegabriel requested a summarized disciplinary chart to share with others.

Mr. Moore indicated that the Uniform Disciplinary Chart used by the District is a shortened version of the California State Education Code. The Chart is provided to parents in the Parent Handbook.

An invitation will be extended to George Sanchez, Coordinator of Student Services; Shawnee Williams; and an Associate Principal and/or Student Advisor to make a presentation to the Committee on the disciplinary process/chart.

5. Revisiting Equity Statement of June 19, 2008

- ***Provide list of Programs and Processes to Accomplish Equity Statement***

Superintendent Moser will be meeting with the Principals on Tuesday, March 22, and will request the information. The information gathered will be shared with the Committee at the April AASA meeting.

6. Report Out: Student Data

Kirsten King, Director of Education, made a presentation to the Committee regarding the California Standards Test 2008-2010: Disaggregated by Ethnicity.

Discussion also took place on the following:

Question: How did the scores compare with other districts?

Response: The District is at the State average. The Silicon Valley Education Foundation has received resources from industry for algebra preparation classes and there is participation by seven districts. Geometry determines the science class placement at ESUHSD.

Question: Are we engaged with business communities to come in and teach the students on a rotational basis?

Response: Through the science fair and Synopsis.

7. Future Agenda Topics

April Meeting

The Committee requested a presentation regarding the disciplinary process/chart. The following persons will be invited to make a presentation on this item:

- *George Sanchez, Coordinator of Student Services*
- *Shawnee Williams*
- *Associate Principal and/or Student Advisor*

Also on the agenda will be information provided by Superintendent Moser regarding the student equity, specifically, the types of alternative services offered to African American students.

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8. Information Sharing

Mulugeta Habtegabriel shared with the Committee that there is a website that provides free tutorial to students. The website address is:

<http://www.khanacademy.org/>

Debra Watkins announced the following Oak Grove High School student recognition event:

*Celebration of Achievement
Thursday, March 24, 2011
6 pm – 8 pm
Oak Grove High School – Wrestling Room*

9. Next Meeting

Due to the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity event, the April 14 AASA Committee meeting was rescheduled to April 7, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.