

LUBBOCK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Minutes of the September 27, 2017
Districtwide Educational Improvement Council Meeting

The Districtwide Educational Improvement Council of the Lubbock Independent School District held a meeting on September 27, 2017, at the Jay Gordon Room.

Welcome New Members

Dr. Theresa Williams, Deputy Superintendent, welcomed the group and asked all members to introduce themselves. Members received the DEIC calendar dates and local policy BQA, Planning and Decision-Making Process, District-Level. Dr. Williams shared responsibilities and some of the major tasks related to the committee.

Superintendent Greeting

Superintendent, Dr. Berhl Robertson, Jr. congratulated members on their election as DEIC representative. He informed members the District is interested in the flexibility offered by becoming a District of Innovation (DOI) and shared advantages DOI's enjoy. He further stated the Board of Trustees would approve the DOI Committee members at Board meeting on September 28. DEIC committee members and teacher organization representatives make up the DOI committee. He thanked members for their services and encouraged members to dig in to what we can do differently as a DOI. The Board of Trustees will consider approval of the DOI plan in December.

Discussion – District of Innovation

Anna Jackson, Executive Director of Leadership and Professional Development, stated the DOI committee would serve the roles previously held by DEIC subcommittees.

Anna provided and reviewed the DOI action steps and timeline and noted DOI work will take place in October. Members were encouraged to attend the October meetings. She further stated the DOI website would go live on September 29 and reminded members the DEIC website is also active.

Members received the Texas Association of School Board (TASB) "What is a DOI" handout. Members used the document to participate in a Jigsaw activity.

Dr. Williams stated she met with teacher organization representatives and shared the desire to become a DOI aligns to our strategic plan. The plan will include improving instruction, literacy, and numeracy; as well as prepare students for college career readiness.

Anna Jackson shared the DOI process would allow Lubbock I.S.D. to request exemptions in the areas of school start date, scheduling, teacher certification and attendance policies. The committee will examine what exemptions would be beneficial and make recommendations accordingly.

Members received a hand out with seven goals in each of the following areas:

- Teaching and Learning
- Professional Development
- Personnel
- Funding and Finance
- Learning Environment
- Technology
- Community Partnerships and Engagement

The handout will serve as a dream sheet for members to provide tools to help construct our goals. Members will bring their homework to the next meeting

Members received the TASB "Writing Plans for Specific Innovations" for review before the next meeting. They were also provided with blank post it note to share concerns and fears.

Anna thanked everyone in attendance.

The meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.