

District Educational Improvement Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 25, 2023 • 4:30 PM • Boerne ISD Training Center • C134-C135

The April DEIC meeting opened at 4:35 PM with a quick welcome and review of the DEIC's purpose by Dr. John O'Hare. He reviewed the agenda with the committee.

Ms. Flores reviewed the proposed 2023-2024 Professional Learning Plan, which had been sent to the group via email for review prior to the meeting. The current version is found on the Teaching and Learning website. The plan is based on research and designed to enhance learning for all employees. There were a few relevant updates: SBEC CPE credits required for license renewal, compliance training, training for instructional coaches, support for EB and SPED students, and digital learning. This is pending strategic plan updates that will be integrated after board approval.

Committee members voiced comments such as approving of the focus on better strategies for EB students and that the description of long-term professional development rollout is appreciated.

The group was unanimously in favor of moving forward with the draft professional learning plan.

Committee members were also emailed drafts of the Federal Grant Funds proposed usage for 23-24 school year. Ms. Charest reviewed the purpose of each federal grant, the anticipated planning amounts for each, and the proposed use of funds. There were no objections to the grants as presented.

The committee also participated in the ESSER III 6 month review, and were given some time to review the plans ahead of the meeting. Ms. Tami Charest shared that ESSER III funds are COVID funds; as such, stakeholders must review spending every 6 months. There were no changes in the general ESSER III planned activities. The only thing that *did* change was that for School Year 23-24, is the proposal that the EB interventionist continue be funded in ESSER III into School Year 23-24 vs. shifting to the general fund. Question from Margaret Palacios: Middle school ICs have been moved out of ESSER III and into the general fund - what does that mean? Mr. Scott briefly discussed the strategy behind those moves and explained that the district is gradually moving ESSER funded positions into the general fund and that all positions will remain. The gradual shift to the general fund allows the district to coordinate all funds to best serve our students and keep our staff employed.

Dr. Price discussed attracting and keeping the best staff we can, growth, and how we are committed to taking care of people as we work on the budget going forward. The group approved the ESSER III plan for federal fund usage.

BISD is required to spend at least 20% of the \$4,149,379 on learning loss. The district has budgeted 60% of strategies to address learning loss.

The Title IV DEIC needs assessment survey results were discussed, and the group reviewed the estimated planning amounts, allowable use of funds, and proposed use of funds. Committee members participated in an activity that gave them a better understanding of the process.

The last item on the agenda was a review of the strategic plan.

There are no additional meetings for this school year. As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:28 PM.