

**Kiker Elementary Campus Advisory Council (CAC)
Meeting Minutes - Monday, November 6, 2023
Kiker Library, 3:30 pm**

Present:

ADMINISTRATION

Cory Matheny, Principal
Alma Chapa Moore
Kelly Zilem

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Abbey Raymond
Alyssa Turnipseed
Anmarie Bochey
Carolyn McKaskle
Ginny Monger
Virginia Nabers
Zoey Franz (non-voting sub)

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Adrienne Huebner
Adrienne Prewett
Danielle Becka
Les Trobman
Lily Tu
Marissa Streyle
Winter Woods

PTA REPRESENTATIVE

Lisa Day

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

Warren Faulkner

NOT PRESENT

Edward Swan
Eileen Vasquez
Ellen Thelen
Heidi Varga
Ian Grossman
Pooja Mulgaonker
Stephen Meyer

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm by Marissa Streyle. Quorum was present.
2. **Training:** Carolyn McKaskle provided a review of CAC record keeping and meeting process. Training material can be viewed at <https://www.austinisd.org/advisory-bodies/cac/resources>.
3. **Citizens Communications:** There were no citizen communications.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from October 2023 were approved. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Warren Faulkner and seconded by Winter Woods.
5. **PTA Report:** Lisa Day shared the following updates.
 - Kiker will take home around \$71,000 from Apex Fundraiser. PTA is currently in the process of dividing funds between grade levels, special projects, and the grant process. A Google form to apply for a grant will be sent out, probably through Kiker Comments. Winter Woods asked about the total amount raised and how much goes to Apex. Lisa Day and Mrs. Matheny explained that the total raised was approximately \$110k. About \$30k of that went to Apex costs for two weeks of programming, on-site Apex staff, prizes, t-shirts, bracelets, etc. and about \$10k is Apex profit.
 - Monster Mash was a success.
 - Veterans Day performance is coming up on Friday, 11/10. Veterans wall submissions will be accepted through 11/9. PTA will be hosting a reception for Veterans before the performance.
6. **Principal's Report:** Mrs. Matheny shared information about several topics.
 - Staffing: After hiring our new SLP, we are fully staffed!
 - HSR: Human Sexuality and Responsibility curriculum; just like last year it is "opt in." This year, K-4th lessons will be this semester and 5th grade will be closer to the end of the year. No lessons for PreK. HSR schedule: Training staff this Thursday, 11/9, at faculty meeting (done annually); parent and caregiver info session on 11/28 (will have samples of curriculum for every grade level); opt in/out

forms will be collected 11/28-12/6 (going out through Kiker Comments and a separate email); Lesson 1 starts 12/11 for K-4th. Each grade has between 3-5 lessons. Alternative SEL lessons are available for the group that did not opt in. Please encourage people to fill out their forms on time. There are usually 40-50 last minute changes that are a lot of work, but Mrs. Matheny wants to remain flexible for families. There are no make-ups for students who are absent. Every family has access to every HSR lesson online. If they don't fill out the form, they are an automatic opt out.

- Student Success Guide: this is a new name for the Student Code of Conduct. The link is shared every Tuesday in the Kiker Comments. Two notable items: 1) When a student is at school, at a school event, or in a district vehicle, the Student Success Guide applies. Any disciplinary response should be related to the misconduct. Guidelines break things into level 1 disciplinary actions, level 2 actions, and level 3 which is mandatory placement at DAEP. Pages 44-48 were reviewed today. 2) The biggest change, which is more relevant to MS/HS, is related to the possession of an e-cigarette, which means an automatic 15 days at the DAEP (Disciplinary Alternative Education Program).
- Gifted and Talented: Testing is underway. One of the new things this year is the universal 2nd grade screener. Every single 2nd grader took a portion of the CogAT test as a universal screener. The district analyzed those results and compared them to results of students already identified as GT. Those families were encouraged to apply for the GT process. This increased the number of 2nd graders that will be going through the process. AISD provides GT “services” rather than a program. All teachers are required to get extra training (initial 30 hour course, plus 6 hour yearly update to keep GT certification) to support those learners. Students are clustered in groups; typically 3-4 GT students per class (more in 5th grade). We had about 75 nominees this year (but 4 were already identified) and we added in 4 from the 2nd grade screener, so sitting at 75. Finished testing K and 1; about to get started on 2, 3, 4, 5. Testing will be complete by 12/1. Results will be mailed 12/18/23.
- Safety and security people put new film on windows that makes it hard to see in the building. Still reviewing blueprints and updates for other safety and security measures that will be put in place this summer.
- Mural: Finished phase 1 (Everyone is Welcome Here). Phase 2 is underway. Started putting in faces: MLK Jr, Rosa Parks, Frida Khalo, Gandhi, RBG, Malala. Mrs. Matheny shared the proposed quotes for each person.
- 2024-2025 Calendar Options. We are required to present the draft of the two calendars and bring them to a CAC vote. Mrs. Matheny presented option A and B. Option A is drafted to come as close as possible to this year’s calendar. Option B is alternative ideas. Both start students on a Tuesday. Calendar B starts a week later. We discussed the pros and cons of each calendar and then voted.
 - Calendar A: 6 votes
 - Calendar B: 10 votes
 - The Kiker CAC vote will be submitted for Calendar B.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Anmarie Bochey and seconded by Danielle Becka. The meeting was adjourned at 4:36 pm.

Draft submitted by Adrienne Huebner, CAC member.