

Kiker Elementary Campus Advisory Council (CAC)
Meeting Minutes - Monday, February 3, 2025
Kiker Library, 3:30 pm

Present:

ADMINISTRATION

Carrie Abrams, Principal
Alma Chapa Moore
Kelly Zilem

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Abbey Raymond
Anmarie Bochey
Ashley Cross
Carolyn McKaskle
Eileen Vasquez
Ginny Monger
Kim Reiman
Pooja Mulgaonker
Virginia Nabers
Turnipseed

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Cory Lago
Ellen Thelen
Lily Tu
Marissa Streyle
Sharon Haywood

PTA REPRESENTATIVE

Cecilia Cavazos

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE

Ian Grossman

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

Warren Faulkner

GUESTS

None

NOT PRESENT

Adrienne Huebner
Danielle Becka
Les Trobman
Stephen Meyer

1. **Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 3:31 pm by Marissa Streyle. Quorum was present.
2. **Training:** Carolyn McKaskle provided a review of AISD training on the Budget and Finance website and on getting to know your District Advisory Bodies. Training material can be viewed at austinsisd.org/advisory-bodies/cac/resources.
3. **Citizens Communications:** There were no citizen communications.
4. **Approval of Minutes:** The minutes from December 2024 were approved. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Warren Faulkner and seconded by Lily Tu.
5. **Principal's Report:** Carrie Abrams shared information about several topics:
 - Principal Abrams showed sample STAAR test questions and asked the CAC members to guess which grade level the questions were associated with. Passing scores are changed by TEA by grade and by test, every single year. Lily Tu asked if we can compare Texas STAAR scores to National NAEP tests. They don't line up perfectly. (e.g. Different common core standards). This week we're doing the STAAR interim test (practice test), which gives us some information, but isn't a perfect predictor of STAAR scores. We're doing after school tutoring for most struggling learners (3rd-5th grades). New materials are being purchased with PTA grant funds. In our recent professional development day, we focused on best uses of small group (FIT) time.
 - Reflex Update: Our campus math fact fluency is up to 51.1% for grades 2-5. The Reflex program is used 20 minutes a day, a couple times a week.
 - Our 2025-2026 budget has been delayed by the district. Principal Abrams will meet with district staff on staff allocations and budget soon.
 - Our current "No Place for Hate" efforts are "Be a Buddy not a Bully" and "Be an Upstander not a Bystander."
 - Current Enrollment: 754 students

- Pre-K registration is Feb 5-March 7, please spread the word. Doesn't guarantee a seat at Kiker. It's a lottery and you could get placed somewhere else in AISD. Pre-K is funded differently
- For Black History Month, we have a guest speaker coming 2/21, we're doing daily morning announcements, and library read alouds.
- CAC: We will need a new Parent Chair (2 year term) and Secretary (no term length, can be a parent or community member).

6. **PTA Report:** Cecilia Cavazos shared an update on several topics:

- PTA has had a few meetings since the last CAC report. There are several new board members, and the transition has been smooth.
- \$50k of grants were approved and everyone has been notified. See Kiker Connections for breakdown of disbursements.
- New PTA position : Special Education; will focus on get-togethers and supporting parents.
- January 29 was spirit night at Mangieri's.
- March 9 (Sunday) is Art and Service Night, sign going up this week to advertise it
- April 4 is International Night. Info will be in Kiker Connections.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Cecelia Cavazos and seconded by Sharon Haywood. The meeting was adjourned at 3:56 pm.

Submitted by Ellen Thelen and Adrienne Huebner, CAC members.