

Kiker Elementary Campus Advisory Council (CAC)
Meeting Minutes - Monday, September 28, 2025
Kiker Library, 3:30 pm

Present:

ADMINISTRATION

Carrie Abrams, Principal
Alma Chapa Moore
Kelly Zilem

PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Abbey Raymond
Anmarie Bochey
Carolyn McKaskle
Eileen Vasquez
Ginny Monger
Jenna Wells
Virginia Nabers
Jenna Wells

PARENT REPRESENTATIVES

Cory Lago
Danielle Becka
Sharon Haywood
Kelly Ting

PTA REPRESENTATIVE

Cecilia Cavazos

BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVE

Ian Grossman

COMMUNITY REPRESENTATIVE

Warren Faulkner

GUESTS

None

NOT PRESENT

Anmarie Bochey
Pooja Mulgaonker
Katie Pritchett
Stephen Meyer

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 3:33 pm by Danielle Becka. Quorum was present.

2. Introductions around the room

3. Training: Carolyn McKaskle provided a review of AISD CAC Training for August and September

- August – Membership
 - o Non-voting Members
 - Principal (automatic membership)
 - School Administrator (optional)
 - o Voting Members
 - Parent Representative –
 - At least 6 and goal for number to be even with the number of Professional Staff Representatives
 - Living within the district
 - Professional Staff Representative
 - At least 6 and even with
 - Classified Staff Representative (clerical, custodial, etc.)
 - Community Representative
 - Living within the district
 - Not AISD employee
 - Business Representative
 - Must be different from Officer Representative
 - Officer Representative
 - Two Elected Co-Chairs
 - One staff and one non-staff
 - Serve only one year and no automatic renewal
 - Student Representative – Not for elementary
 - PTA President or Representative
 - o Terms – Other than Elected Co-Chairs: Every two years, no limitation on how many times you can serve
 - o Renewal not automatic
- September
 - o Purpose of the Campus Advisory Council
 - Sharing thoughts with campus leadership (stopped at 4:50pm)
 - Input on topics
 - Reviewing Materials
 - o TAPR and PD
 - Required to review in a public meeting
 - o Campus Improvement Plan
 - Recommendations
 - o Campus Development Plan
 - o Campus Budget Process

- No need to wait until spring for input
 - Making formal recommendations
 - Grants Approval
 - Additional Activities – Campus-level waiver
- CAC Training material can be viewed at www.austinisd.org/advisory-bodies/cac/resources.

3. Citizens Communications: There were no citizen communications.

4. Approval of Minutes: The minutes from May 2025 were approved. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Warren Faulkner and seconded by Cecilia Cavazos.

5. Co-Chair Selection: Danielle Becka (new) and Carolyn McKaskle continuing.
Warren Faulkner motioned to approve and seconded by Cecilla Cavazos.

5. Principal's Report: Carrie Abrams shared information about several topics below

- Thanked all attendees for supporting CAC
- Staffing Updates and Enrollment
 - o 750 students
 - o 1 teaching assistant vacancy
 - o Will be interviewing after settling into the year
 - o Fully staffed professional positions
- Character Strong – Respect, Be Kind, Be Strong, and Be Well.
 - o Once-a-week embedded into lessons
 - o Will be included in newsletters
 - o Counselors and guidance lessons incorporate some of these lessons
- Map Testing
 - o Screener in reading and math
 - Sep – BOY: Beginning of Year
 - Dec – MOY: Middle of Year
 - May – EOY: End of Year
 - o 2024-2025 Celebrations in Reading
 - 3rd and 5th grade
 - High Achievement
 - High Growth
 - Kinder
 - Over half of students met their growth goals
 - Nationwide levels of norm reference test (i.e. comparison nationwide)
 - 1st - 95th percentile
 - 2nd – 91st percentile
 - 4th – 88th percentile
 - o 2025-2026
 - Last years result help determine next years goals
 - Goal: Increase growth percentile for ALL students

- o Senate Bill 12
 - AISD Google Forms sent to all families
 - Forms include 632 Mental, 611 Physical Health, 583 After School Clubs
 - Fairly good percentage completed still pursuing 100%
 - Continuing to send out reminders
 - If there was a related issues and parents did not complete forms
 - School will try to double check
 - However, it is best to complete forms ahead of time
 - Cory Lago – Could targeted reminders be sent?
 - Answer:
 - o Abrahams - Difficult due to cross checks are manual with Google Forms
 - o She plans to send out outstanding list to each teacher so they can reach out to the student's parents
- o Personal Communication Device Policy
 - Texas House Bill 1481
 - District established disciplinary measures for violation of policy
 - Typically a non-issue and will start with individual discretion
 - Less of an issue due to elementary level children
 - Included in Comet Connections
 - Keep devices off and in your backpack
- o STAAR Data
 - Reading – Reading comprehension, grammar, revising/editing, and short/long constructed response
 - STAAR Data 2024-2025
 - o Example of Stats: Fourth Grade Changes
 - 93% Approaches from 91%
 - 51% Masters from 44%
 - 42% Meets from 29%
 - 5th Grade Cohort – Follows our students who are now in middle school
 - Meet and Masters scores jumped up quite a bit
 - Math – Geometry, computations, financial literacy, numerical representations, data analysis
 - Examples of Stats: Third Grade Changes
 - o Seeing consistent growth in the approaches
 - o Masters went from 28 percent to 36 percent
 - Question Danielle Becka – Change: How many students needed to increase scores to improve to move the percentages?
 - Answer: Abrams – Depends on the number of students in each grade/cohort – Example: 100 students; 9% could be 20 students
 - Science – Matter and Energy, Force/Motion/Energy, Earth and Space, etc.
 - Small dip from previous school year did improve last year
 - Vertical teams were utilized and will continue
- o TEA Accountability System

- 4 Domains including STAAR testing and other domains
 - A grade for student achievement, School Progress, and Closing the Gap
 - Growth in all areas
- Campus Improvement Plan
 - Goals: 3 big goals were more streamlined by the district
 - Goal 1 – Stronger Together
 - Family Engagement
 - Health and Wellness
 - School Culture and Safety – Character Strong referenced above
 - Attendance
 - Discipline
 - Equity in GT Identification
 - Staff Growth (SEL & Culturally Responsive Practices)
 - Goal 2 – Early Learning: Strong Foundation for PK-2 to prepare for third grade. Reduce 2nd grade interventions.
 - Reading
 - Math
 - Teaching Quality
 - Goal 3 – Special Education Initiative: Strengthening Supports
 - Family Connection
 - Standardization and Streamlining to help align staff
- Participant kudos to Abrams
 - Campus Improvement Plan is about 40 pages that can be hard to follow
 - Abrahams summarized it into a easier bullet point format
- Shout-outs
 - Will be added to Comet Connection
 - Dads on Duty up and running
 - Pentathlon Grant applied for and received for game purchases
 - Likely to start in late October or November
 - Safety Patrol Kids - 4th Graders
 - Many applied so looking for more leadership opportunities
 - State Level – Ms. Pooja for Teacher of the Year
- Campus Improvement Plan
 - Request for approval of plan stated by Carolyn McKaskle
 - Motion: Eileen
 - Second: Warren
- PTA
 - Sep 9th 4pm to close – Spirit Night
 - Art Night/Reflections Night
 - Oct 1-21

- Theme: I belong
 - Can submit any art medium
- Nov 9th - Fall Program
- Feb 20th Spring Program
- SPED Playdates
 - Six coming up
- Board Meeting
 - Sept 29th
- General Meeting
 - Nov 20th from 530-630pm
- Tax-Free Day: Art Night and Fall Fest
- o Adjourn – Request for adjournment motions made by Danielle Becka
 - Cecilia Cavazos - Motion
 - Cory Lagos – Second
 - Meeting was called to adjournment at 4:12 pm

Submitted by Sharon Haywood, CAC member.
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