

**Irving Independent School District
District Improvement Committee (DIC) Minutes
September 14, 2010**

A “get acquainted” dinner was served at 6:00 p.m. and Rhonda Taylor, Chair, called the meeting of the DIC to order at 6:30 p.m. The minutes from the April 16, 2008 meeting were approved with a motion from Michael McPhail and a second by Mary Richarte.

Dr. Marie Morris, Assistant Superintendent for Teaching & Learning, welcomed the committee and explained the “Who, What, and Why of the DIC” using an activity that paired experienced members with new members. She emphasized the importance of the committee, Board Policy BQA (Local) and the Committee’s By-laws. Ms. Taylor continued orientation by telling members about her experiences as a DIC member. She encouraged them to fully engage in the planning process.

The 2010-2011 meeting dates for the DIC were approved. The motion was made by Sanko Prioleau II and seconded by Andrew Goldsmith.

Dr. Morris introduced Dr. Dana Bedden, the new Superintendent of Irving ISD. Dr. Bedden shared the District’s motto “Children Come First.” He also discussed the importance of using the District’s vision and mission statements as the compass for achieving our goals and performance objectives. The DIC members were then given the opportunity to ask questions and to get acquainted through interaction with Dr. Bedden.

Mr. Randy Cobb, Division Director of Secondary Teaching & Learning, asked the committee members to approve submission to the Board an expedited waiver to adjust the timeline for providing Accelerated Instruction for students who fail the third administration of TAKS. A motion was made to approve the waiver by Andrew Goldsmith and seconded by Michael McPhail. Motion was approved unanimously.

Members were asked to indicate their preferences for sub-committee membership for writing the 2010-2011 District Improvement Plan.

The next meeting of the DIC will be Thursday, October 7, 2010 in the Administration Building at 6:30 p.m. Snacks will be available at 6:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.