

SA2020 COMMISSION ON EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, February 10, 2015

5:00 PM

Trinity University, Northrup Hall Room 316, One Trinity Place, San Antonio, Texas, 78212

Members Present: Anita Fernandez, District 1 Representative
Lester Bryant, Chair, District 2 Representative
Philip N. Taele, District 6 Representative
Michael Soto, Mayoral Appointee

Member Absent: Julius Lorenzi, District 5 Representative
Cristina Bazaldua-Salazar, District 7 Representative

Staff Present: Ana Acevedo, Education Policy Administrator, City of San Antonio
Lynn Stewart, Social Services Manager, Child Care Service, City of San Antonio

1. Approval of Minutes from December 9, 2014 Meeting

Michael Soto motioned to approve minutes. Anita Fernandez seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by the Commission.

2. Briefing on Child Care Services [Lynn Stewart, Social Services Manager, Child Care Service]

Lynn Stewart presented on the work that Child Care Services does. The program is funded by federal and state funding. The main function of Child Care Services is to provide child care subsidies to people who qualify on their income and are either attending school/training in a high demand job or working in a high demand job. Only daycares with certain Texas Rising Start designation can accept the subsidies.

Michael Soto asked if there is a competitive process to receive the grant funding, and Lynn Stewart answered that it is a competitive process.

3. Briefing on DreamWeek STEM Mixer co-hosted by SA2020 Commission on Education [Lester Bryant, Chair, District 2]

Lester Bryant shared with the Commission that the attendance for the mixer was great. The feedback from the participants was positive. They said that they enjoyed coming together and sharing ideas. Toyota is supposed to follow up with some of the school contacts that were made at the mixer. There is talk about having everyone in the STEM community come together, work on a common event, and leverage funding.

4. Discussion and possible action regarding goals and objectives of Commission [Lester Bryant, Chair, District 2]

Lester Bryant began the discussion by stating that the Commission has five vacancies. He asked the Commissioners to think about what we could do better to engage Commissioners and keep them engaged. The Commissioners agreed that the next meeting has to be solely focused on mission, vision, goals, and what we would like to accomplish.

Commissioners agreed to move the next scheduled meeting to Monday, March 16, 2015 at 8:30 am at the Pre-K 4 SA North Center.

5. Announcements

No announcements.

Anita Fernandez motioned to adjourn the meeting. Philip Taele seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:08 PM.