

## Districtwide Improvement Committee Minutes

May 15, 2007

The Districtwide Improvement Committee reviewed the Drug-Free and Violence Prevention Report for 2006-2007 and discussed the program. Michele Heathman and Donna Boehm shared information on the specifics of the program on their campuses and noted how they worked with teachers and students on being drug-free and violence –free. Rita Polen asked the committee members, parents and students at the meeting for recommendations on ways to improve our program. Taylor Watson, s high school student, suggested that the program was working well and to push more information on the students might make them less likely to listen rather than better informed. She felt students knew the dangers of drugs and alcohol, and they didn't need more intense programs.

Maleah Gilchrist suggested establishing a student liason who would be available for students to confide in regarding any issues or problems they may have related to drugs. She thought students would be more comfortable sharing with their peers. The district will look into this possibility.

Rita Polen discussed the planning funds for the federal grants that the district receives each year. She noted that the funding had been reduced from the 2006-2007 amounts due to federal cutbacks.

Rita Polen reviewed the Title II (Migrant) identification process with the DWIC. Each year parents complete an information sheet on migrant students. Because RFISD serves students of military personnel, there are no migrant students in our schools. This information is collected each year and kept on file at each campus for the current school year.

The Title III Bilingual/ESL program was discussed by the committee. Randolph Field ISD belongs to the Education Service Center Shared Services Cooperative. Our ESL teachers as well as classroom teachers can attend training at Region 20 for no charge since the district is a member of the cooperative.

Rita Polen reviewed the Title IV Drug-Free and Violence-Free Schools program with DWIC. Again the district is a member of the Region 20 cooperative and through that cooperative teachers and administrators can attend training at Region 20. The service center completes the application for this program and also supports us throughout the year.

