

## Districtwide Improvement Committee Minutes

March 22, 2005

Art Cavazos reviewed the Randolph Field ISD Budget Process with the committee. He defined what a budget is and what the objectives of financial planning entail. For RFISD there are three funding sources that include capital projects, operating grants and general funds. Several factors will affect the 2005-2006 budget. These include the revamping of state funding by the legislature, the uncertainties in base housing, the growing/tightening of the federal budgets, the decline in the number of economically disadvantaged students, and the increasing cost per student. Cavazos noted that continued communication between Randolph AFB and the district was critical so that RFISD could stay on top of the latest developments in the issues concerning base housing.

Kay Magness and Kaye Muennink reviewed the ZENITH (Gifted and Talented) Program with DWIC. Kay Magness noted that the district had a specific nomination process to identify gifted/talented students at RFISD. She noted that a variety of screening tools were used and the selection committee has three options; they can not accept the student at this time; they can select the student for the program, and the parents can give permission to participate or decline those services; or the committee can request more data before making a decision. There are a variety of formative and summative assessments utilized to evaluate the effectiveness of the program and the students' growth in their learning. Magness then reviewed the Five Year Improvement Plan for the two secondary campuses. Kay Muennink then reviewed the Five Year Plan for the elementary campus and the adjustments that had been made to that plan at this time.

Rita Polen noted that the district was required to complete a survey of effectiveness for both the campus and district site-based committees. She shared a sample survey from the Texas Education Agency and a copy of the survey RFISD had used two years ago to evaluate our effectiveness. DWIC reviewed both surveys and decided to update the survey used by the district two years ago. Ron Bolin will email the updated survey to Rita Polen who will send it out to the DWIC members. The principals will send the survey to their CIC members. The surveys will be completed and the data compiled prior to the meeting on

April 25. At that time a subcommittee will be formed to analyze the data and write a draft of that analysis prior to the DWIC meeting in May.

In October the committee had decided to add a specific campus increase in student achievement for the selected Campus Performance Objective. Rita Polen asked that a subcommittee develop the statement that needs to be included in the Campus Improvement Committee Summary Report and the DWIC Rubric and report back to the committee before the May meeting. Kaye Muennink, John Wesley and Fritz Norman will participate on that subcommittee with Rita Polen.

**Next scheduled meeting:       Monday, April 25, 2005**  
**Randolph High School**  
**Room 21**  
**4:00 PM**