

DEIC (District-wide Educational Improvement Council)

Meeting Notes

March 21, 2012

**Approved
May 17, 2012**

1. **The minutes from the January 19, 2012, meeting were reviewed and approved.**
2. **Chief Alan Bragg, Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D. Police Department**
Chief Bragg was introduced and he then gave an overview of the establishment of our school district's new police department.
3. **Cypress-Fairbanks I.S.D.'s Budget Proposal for 2012-2013**
Karen Smith presented an overview of the proposed CFISD budget for 2012-2013. This included information about the reduction of \$4.0 billion from the Foundation School Program and a reduction of \$1.3 billion from state grants. Ms. Smith also gave an overview of the Senate Bill 1 and the school finance points and the effects it will have on our district's budget. The budget goals for 2012-2013 are to provide a balanced budget; preserve quality of instruction and services; maintain a salary schedule to help retain and recruit quality staff; protect the district's operational infrastructure; and, no budget reductions will occur. Also, that a salary increase of 3.0% for teachers and all other employees will be presented to the Board for approval; that needed capital outlay purchases will be approved; that a ratio of 22:1 classroom size with a maximum of 25 will remain; that provisions will be made to cover inflation and enrollment increases, increases in property/casualty insurance, start-up costs for the CFISD police department, and an elimination of health fund deficit.
4. **Waiver Request – Teacher Data Portal**
Roy Garcia presented a TEA waiver request to the DEIC group for their approval. It is to waive CFISD's need to participate in TEA's teacher data portal because our district has programs in place which teachers can access for the required information. These programs are Cognos, eSchool Plus, and iXplore.
5. **The Positive Pledge** was shared with the group by Roy Garcia.

Minutes taken by: Roy Garcia

Submitted to the DEIC for approval by: Roy Garcia