

# Parent/Community Connection Team



The Northeast Region is committed to providing opportunities for parents to be heard. The Parent/Community Connection Team (PCCT) is a group of parents identified to serve on the committee by school and region personnel, meet throughout the year to provide input, and engage in open discussion regarding issues related to schools in the Northeast Region.

## PCCT Minutes for September 24, 2007

Marsha Irvin, Northeast Region Superintendent  
Butch Heiss, Northeast Region Administrative Assistant

### Committee Members in Attendance:

Paula Williams, Committee Chairperson and LaNel Lueck, Committee Secretary  
Melinda Artrup, Kathleen Atkinson, Karen Buford, Letisia Cano, Raimi Chatman-Hamlet, Lisa Frye, Jill Jones, Autumn Kizenan, Marianne Leavitt, Rebekah Martin, Catherine Martinez, Marina Mendoza, Shelly Polillo, Beatrice Randle, Skip Rapoport, Frederica Roldan, Cookie Ross, Kelley Smith, Ramona Smith, and Lynn Weir

### Guests:

Verda Hines and Eva Melendrez

**Paula Williams**, extended a welcome to all returning and new members and made introductions of all the committee members.

**Butch Heiss**, conducted the meeting and began discussion of the following topics:

#### • REGION UPDATE

- Quality Assurance Framework
  - Aligned to Northeast Region Differentiated Budget and Student Achievement

#### • LITERACY AND MATH EXPECTATIONS

- Reading At or Above Grade Level
- State Standards
- Literacy (K – 12<sup>th</sup> Grades)
- Criterion-Referenced Test (CRT)
- Math Goals – Elementary and Secondary
  - Elementary Math in High School
  - Passing Algebra – High School Expectations – Increase Geometry

**Verda Hines**, State P.T.A. Board Member, discussed the following topics:

- **CHANGING IMAGE OF THE P.T.A.**

- Advocate Health and Safety of the Children
- She expressed her views regarding fundraising, stating that she felt that each school should have one fundraiser for P.T.A. and that any other fundraiser at the school should be done by the school with help from P.T.A. members.

- **“CARRY THE CARD”**

- A discount card from some merchants for being a member of the P.T.A.

**Eva Melendrez**, Parent Coordinator for the Clark County School District (799-1134), discussed the following topics:

- **IMPORTANCE OF PARENT RESOURCES FOR THE FAMILIES IN THE DISTRICT**

- Great Need for Parent Information in the District
- Literacy Classes and Parent Services

**The following additional items were open for discussion:**

- **MARC BROWN – “ARTHUR BOOKS”** – Signing – Free Admission

- September 29, 2007, at 1:00 p.m.  
Henderson Pavilion, 200 S. Green Valley Parkway

- **SPOTS**

- Channel 10 – Wolfgang Puck  
- He emphasized that obtaining a graduation cap is essential before a student can achieve a chef’s cap.

- **INVITATION TO LEGISLATURE TO VISIT SCHOOLS**

- It is important that members of the legislature have an invitation to visit your schools so that they can see first-hand what is happening at the individual sites.

- **PARENTS IN THE CLASSROOM**

- Restriction for Parents to Visit Classroom Without Previous Appointment
- Restriction for a Reason
- Parents Volunteering in the Classroom
- Administration Working with Parents