

## Hispanic Community Advisory Council

November 15, 2017

Present: Karina Baca, Gabby Ruiz, Teresa Gomez, Sally Vaquera, Orlando Ortiz, Rosi Martinez, Bertha Salgado, Hector Diaz, Clay Montgomery, and Kristi Ramon

- Mr. Montgomery welcomed the committee members and each member introduced themselves.
- Mr. Montgomery set the purpose for the committee.
  - To be able to learn more about the culture and climate of the Hispanic community
  - Open a dialogue between community, parents, and school
  - Become an advocate for the school district
- The committee will meet two times a semester.
- Mrs. Ramon shared a suggested list of norms. The committee approved the norms as presented.
- Issue 1: The administration feels there is a disconnect between home and school within the Hispanic community. The school is not sure what the parents need and the parents do not feel confident in asking for what they need. The committee agreed this is an issue.
- Issue 2: Extracurricular participation rate in Hispanic females and some males drops tremendously at the high school level. The committee agreed this is an issue.
- The committee generated a list of issues they feel are also within our school and community. The top three were: Immigration/Dreamers, Making families feel valued and informing families of resources. Strategies for each issue will be discussed at the next meeting.
- The committee will meet November 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.
- The committee reflected from the meeting by sharing a point they wanted to make, something that is rolling around in their head, or something that squares with their belief.