

## *Region IX P-16 Council*

*January 5, 2010*

### *Minutes*



The P-16 meeting began at 8:30 a.m. at Region IX on Tuesday, January 5, 2010. In attendance: Billie Gorham P-16 Counselor, Melissa Yip – P-16 Counselor, Romona Vaughan-ED of North Texas Tech Prep Consortium, Jodi Schlaud-IPCISD, Deborah Cornelius- ED of P-16 Council, Diann Taylor-WFISD, Dr. Shelley Sweatt – BISD, Dr. Grant Simpson – MSU, Jessica Sutherland-Vernon College, J.J. Schweiger – Straight Street; Patricia Dominguez, Parent and Business Owner; Bobbie Vash – DARS ; David Ickert – Air Tractor; Trish Sigafus ; Margaret Luna – Zavala ; Mona Statser – Workforce Solutions ; Wes Pierce – ESC Region IX.

The R9P16 Council thanked Workforce Solutions for hosting our 2009 Kick-Off Meeting. Mona Statser was proud to introduce the newest member to the Workforce Solutions team, Jennifer Rivenbark, her position is the Disability Navigator.

The meeting began with Annual Reports from R9P16 2009 Activities. The reports were presented by the following:

Business Sub Committee (newsletters/website/marketing) – Michael Paris

Early Childhood Committee – Jessica Sutherland, Brian Newcomb

P-16 Career Counselors-Billie Gorham, Melissa Yip

CCRS – Dr. Grant Simpson

Camp Beyond- Summer Bridge- Deb Cornelius

Upon completion of the sub group reports the Council then visited the R9P16 Council's mission, vision, short term and long term goals and objectives. The Council proceeded to break into small group sessions and process the information in our R9P16 Final Report. We each added input in our small groups and reconvened as a Council and discussed 2010. The Council brainstormed and discussed many possibilities for 2010 and our efforts in Closing the Gaps in Region IX. After the Executive Council meets with these brainstormed ideas, modifications and dreams , they will be dispersed to the Council electronically. It is so exciting to reflect on how far we have come as a Council and a bit intimidating to contemplate what we have before us. How intrinsically rewarding to see the data and know the difference we are making in so many first generation students' lives.

Please visit our P-16 Calendar on line ([www.region9p16.org](http://www.region9p16.org))

Here are some dates to put on your calendars for the upcoming months:

Tuesday, February 2, 2010 – Next R9P16 Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 3, 2010 – Austin, Texas - P-16 Institute

Monday, February 8, 2010 – Early Childhood Subcommittee 1:00 Iowa Park

Wednesday, February 10, 2010- Café Con Leche, 6:00-Falls Point Church

Parent Academy- “IP Pre-K Jumpstart” - March 25, 2010, 6:00 - Kidwell Elementary, Iowa Park.

Saturday, March 27, 2010 – Zavala Leadership Banquet