



## *Region IX P-16 Council*

*September 1, 2009*

### *Minutes*

The P-16 meeting began at 8:30 a.m. at Region IX on Tuesday, September 1, 2009. In attendance: Brian Newcomb- ATT, Jessica Sutherland- Vernon College , Billie Gorham P-16 Counselor, Melissa Yip – P-16 Counselor, Michael Paris-Wichita Falls Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Romona Vaughan-ED of North Texas Tech Prep Consortium, Jodi Schlaud-IPCISD, Deborah Cornelius- ED of P-16 Council, Ronnie London -Boys & Girls Club, Kristin Morris-Wells Fargo, Diann Taylor-WFISD, Michael Chapman – Esc 9, David Ickert- Air Tractor, Marylin Leasure - VISD, Tom Woody – VISD, Patricia Dominguez – Community, Monette Rivas – Community, Desi Vicars – URHCS, Dr. Shelley Sweatt – BISD, J.J. Schwieger – Straight Street, Dr. Grant Simpson – MSU, Kristin Watts – Community Foundation.

The P-16 Council was pleased to introduce Desi Viscars from United Regional Health Care Systems to R9P16 Council Team. It has been a pleasure working with URHCS with our Transitional Bridges and the Council is thrilled to have Ms. Viscars join us.

Billie Gorham, Monette Rivas, Stephanie Zamora, and Patricia Dominguez attended the 1 ½ day Parental Outreach trainings for council in Austin, Texas, the week of August 17' 2009. The team gathered much information how to plan and implement Feria Para Aprender (Learning Fairs) in our Region. The Feria is a proven model as an educational mobilization event that:

- i. Increases parental educational involvement
- ii. Increases the knowledge of Pre-K readiness skills
- iii. Enhances the capacity of the non-profit educational community to better serve the rapidly growing Spanish speaking parent and student population, promotes a college going culture. Billie, Monette and Patricia each shared with the Council insight about the model. R9P16 is excited about moving forward. We will be evaluating data from our region to begin the process.

Dr. Grant Simpson presented on Seven Revolutions, which is an initiative to indentify how our country can respond to the accelerating change of our world. There are seven global trends that will shape our future.

- i. <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jpEnFwiqdx8&feature=fvw> Please watch Shift Happens video (5 minutes)
- ii. <http://7revs.csis.org/> Please visit the website and read the material under Seven Revolutions
- iii. <http://www.storyofstuff.com/> Please watch The Story of Stuff.(20 minutes)
- iv. <http://video.nytimes.com/video/2007/04/10/magazine/1194817107532/the-power-of-green.html> Please watch Thomas Friedman's video (6 minutes)

Dr. Bill Daggett spoke at Region IX , on the topic of **Preparing Students for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century**. Dr. Daggett's main message to educators is that we have to prepare students for their future, not our past!! Attendees from our R9P16 Council that were present for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills Event shared a very few of the slides with our Council members that Dr. Daggett presented to the Burkburnett Independent School District. The data that Dr. Daggett shared was both informative and challenging. Some of our educational system's challenges discussed included global competition and technology. Dr. Daggett presented local data that BISD partnered with businesses in the Region IX area to attain. This data will be combined with more data collected from all over the nation. Slides from Dr. Daggett's presentation can be downloaded from: [www.leadered.com/keynoterpp.shtml](http://www.leadered.com/keynoterpp.shtml) .

Melissa Yip and Billie Gorham are gearing up to visit high school counselors in the Region IX area to partner up with the ISD's for the upcoming Go Center events. Communicating with the students about opportunities available to them through "twitter" is something both of the Career Counselors are quite excited about. Billie and Melissa are also thrilled to be working closely with Communities in Schools to reach out to area Juniors and Seniors. Aiding students in filling out FASFA forms for students in need is top on their priorities.

R9P16 Chair, Dr. Grant Simpson discussed the grant our Council received for C.C.R.S .. The Council will be hiring an individual with Master Special Advisor Status to assist with implementation of the CCRS, most especially the curriculum alignment issues with isd/escs and furthering awareness with the faculty. The Council will publicize the position that will be open in the near future.

Brian Newcomb and Jessica Sutherland shared the outcome of the recent P-16 EC Sub-committee meeting that was held on Friday, August 28, 2009. Main short term goals discussed were offering Parent Academies and the P-16 "Dream Team" Puppet Outreach. College and Career Curriculum will be created by education students at MSU who are currently combing the TEKS to gather ideas. Puppets are multi-cultural, varied ages, and from all different career paths.

Deb Cornelius presented data from each of our P-16 Transitional Bridge Offerings for the summer. The total number of students touched somehow by some type of involvement of P-16 this year to date is 2,578 students from all over the Region. The total number of students that attended each type of Transitional Bridge Offering was:

## REGION IX P-16 SUMMER CAMP DEMOGRAPHICS

<b>Affiliation</b>	<b>Female</b>	<b>Male</b>	<b>Black/African American</b>	<b>Hispanic/Latino</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Total</b>
Wichita Falls (CIS)	29	25	25	13	15	1	54
Burkburnett ISD	12	6	2	4	12	0	18
Vernon ISD	9	5	4	4	6	0	14
Hirschi High School	24	22	21	15	10	0	46
Iowa Park CISD	25	24	0	4	43	2	49
Camp Beyond	38	19	12	27	18	0	57
Final STEM Offering Bridge	17	13	16	7	7	0	30
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>154</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>268</b>

Michael Paris gave an update from the Business Sub-Committee. Newsletter dispersal through Constant Contact is being emailed to over 1,000 contacts. The main short term goal for this committee is to develop a marketing plan. Michael and Margaret Luna are looking forward to the concept of a possible LEAD's group for regional Hispanic businesses. The Council is hoping to coordinate these efforts with the Feria, Learning Fairs as well as our Go Centers. Other marketing avenues should be reviewed such as school athletic events and local newspapers.

**Upcoming P-16 Opportunities:** Visit to MSU from Zundy students on September 15, 2009 and Quick Step Academy students, October 28, 2009.

P-16 EC – Sub-committee meeting – 9-22-09 Iowa Park – Kidwell Elementary 3:00 p.m.

Tech Prep Regional Conference, November 3, 2009 (P-16 Council attending)

October 6, 2009 - just after the P-16 Council Meeting – Summer Bridge data follow up meeting- we will need to meet and collect the follow up data on students that attended our at-risk in-coming Freshman Summer Bridge from the four different districts. (after the first grading period)

Next P-16 Institute in Austin- October 7, 2009 (will need ISD, IHE and Business representatives from Council)

**NEXT P-16 Meeting date: Tuesday, October 6, 2009, 8:30 a.m., Region IX**