

EASTFIELD COLLEGE PLEASANT GOVE CAMPUS  
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2009

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**Roll Call**

<b>Council Members</b>	<b>Council Members</b>	<b>College Staff</b>
<b>Adorno, Father Anibal</b>	<b>Littlefield, David</b>	<b>Caratini-Prado, Maria</b>
<b>Castro, Ralph</b>	<b>Moore, Sequina</b>	<b>Conway, Jean</b>
<b>Clayton, Daniel</b>	<b>Parish-Warren, D'Andra</b>	<b>Cook, Sharon</b>
<b>Craddock, Lynne</b>	<b>Ramirez, Eleazar</b>	<b>Howells, Connie</b>
<b>Crawford, Pastor Annelda</b>	<b>Ramos-Yearwood, Sara</b>	<b>Jones, Jim</b>
<b>Davila-Hakemack, Principal Lucy</b>	<b>Samckor, Jenny</b>	<b>Olguín, Javier E.</b>
<b>DeLuna, Pastor Jesse</b>	<b>Sandoval, Principal Jaime</b>	<b>Piffardi, Ana</b>
<b>Garrett, Bettie Jane</b>	<b>Saracho, Erma</b>	<b>Ross, Ann</b>
<b>Hodge, Kelicia</b>	<b>Vasquez, Julian H.</b>	<b>Tovar, Irma</b>
<b>Hodge, Pastor Michael</b>	<b>Walter, Kandace</b>	
<b>Laguardia, Pastor Levy</b>		
<b>Lennon, Jessica</b>		

**Welcome and Introductions**

The Eastfield College Pleasant Grove Community Advisory Council convened on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 at 3:00 p.m. All in attendance shared introductions. Dr. Jean Conway, Interim – President Eastfield College expressed appreciation for the council’s participation and input.

Mr. Javier E. Olguín, Executive Director Pleasant Grove Campus (PGC) asked committee members if they would consider serving in “leadership roles” to help facilitate the advisory council meetings. The leadership roles will be Chair and Co-Chair. The committee Chairs will be appointed at the next advisory meeting scheduled Tuesday, April, 14, 2009 at 3:00 PM in St. Augustine’s church. The leadership roles would be one of facilitating the meetings and setting agendas according to Council meeting discussions and member input. The Eastfield College Staff would assist with the minutes, agenda, and all correspondence via email as well as setting up meeting dates and locations.

**Construction Update**

Mr. Jim Jones, Eastfield College VP Business Services reported the Pleasant Grove Campus is approximately 48% complete and the building is being prepared for stucco finishing. The interior studs on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> floors are in and all main mechanical runs are completed. All electrical has been roughed in and dry walling has begun.

**Vision and Purpose**

Mr. Olguín outlined the mission of the Pleasant Grove Campus (attached is the presentation document). The vision is to foster a college-going culture in the Pleasant Grove Neighborhood. The vision will be accomplished by providing quality instruction and programs in academic, technical, occupational, and continuing education in an environment conducive to educational success. The Pleasant Grove Campus is designed

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as a satellite campus connecting the neighborhood to the Eastfield College main campus and other sister colleges within the DCCCD.

Mr. Olguín reviewed the Pleasant Grove Campus final schematic/design development floor plans for level one and two. Mr. Olguín reported the campus will “feature state-of-the-art technology, smart classrooms, and furniture designed to enhance a community learning environment”. Additional announcements:

- Eastfield College is working on a web page that will feature the Pleasant Grove Campus. The PGC web page will be unveiled as early as Wednesday, February 18, 2009. The PGC web page will be in English and Spanish
- The Pleasant Grove Class Schedule will be ready by March 10, 2009 and will be added to the PGC web page

**State Farm Insurance Company, Southeast Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (SEDHCC) and Eastfield College Scholarships**

Dr. Jean Conway received (5) one-thousand dollar scholarship awards presented by Mr. Bill Davis, State Farm Insurance Company and Mr. Ralph Castro, CEO of SEDHCC, to be earmarked for Pleasant Grove Campus students to be issued in time for Fall 2009.

**Community Survey**

Ms. Connie Howells, Eastfield College Dean of Institutional Effectiveness highlighted responses from the Pleasant Grove Campus Community Survey conducted spring 2009 (more information attached in the Presentation document):

Will you attend the Eastfield College Pleasant Grove Campus?

- 82% responded yes

What time of day will you attend college?

- 30% weekends
- 35% evenings
- 45% mornings

Please indicate what introductory college credit classes interest you?

- 31% responded Spanish
- 20% responded English/Speech
- 26% responded Humanities

What careers interest you?

- 48% responded Computers
- 31% responded Business

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**Committee Recommendation and Suggestions**

- Participate in local PTA Elementary School Meetings to disseminate information about EFC to parents/guardians
- Contact representative from Dallas Area Rapid Transit System (DART) to coordinate bus passes for students
- Inquire about transit services offered to H. Grady Spruce High School students to PGC
- Integrate dual-college credit into the campus offerings or collaborate with high schools
- Develop an Early College Start Program
- Develop a Summer Youth Academy for middle school students during the month of June
- Increase Allied Health Programs as needed for qualified medical/health industry.
- Plan health fairs with community at PGC
- Contact the Texas Workforce Commission to determine what jobs are needed.
- Meet with local counselors and/or high school principals to determine the career interest of Junior's and Senior's
- Recruit EFC students to assist with disseminating campus surveys
- Utilize the EFC "Service Learning" opportunities, as well as, the Student Programs and Resources (SPAR) to include student participation in the development of the PGC
- Recommend that the Pleasant Grove Library conduct surveys with local residents to determine what computer courses are desired. A combination of desired computer courses could be offered at EFC and the Pleasant Grove Library located on South Buckner

**Meeting adjourned 4:30 p.m.**

**Ann Ross**  
**Recorder**

**Mr. Javier Olguín**  
**Interim Chairperson**