

Ask John Questions  
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**Information** - Superintendent John Rogers opened the meeting with information regarding accessing the **AUSD Board Policy**. **To access go to:** <http://www.gamutonline.net> click "Go" the User name: **Public** Password: **ASUD**

Questions:

**Question – 1. High school policy for transferring students between classes.**

**A) Where are we with developing and implementing the policy?**

Answer - John let us know that administration is developing the language and comparing our current Board Policy language to the CA School Board policies. The high school and junior high school are working together to help the policy become consistent. In the end the goal is to have language that reads: ..."The principal or his/her designee" as well as have a step by step procedure that is very clear for parents, students, staff, and administration.

**B) Who will have access to the policy? How do we intend to spread the news regarding the policy to staff/parents/District Office?**

Once the policy is in place it will be readily available to all.

**Information - 2. Math teacher at Del Rio feels overwhelmed.**

**Discussion** - All parties were appreciative of the site opening up a dialogue to help create a better situation for staff and students.

**Question – 3. Special Ed/DISC students in classes with teachers without special ed credentials. Is this allowed under the "Highly Qualified Teacher"**

Yes, it is required by IDEA([Individual Disability Education Act](#)). Instruction of the student is to be in the "least restrictive environment" as deemed by the IEP team at the sites. Some students are Special Ed and some are DISC(District Intervention Support Class) students. Some students come with a SCIA(Special Circumstances Instructional Assistant) and some do not.

**If so, how, so we can go back and explain to staff** – It is required. The IEP team at each site determines "least restrictive environment" and monitors the [FAPE\(Free And Appropriate Education\)](#) that the student is receiving. The site and teachers are encouraged to ask for additional help and/or training from the "Log Cabin".

**Question – 4. ADTA feels the DISC program needs to be evaluated. Do we have the potential to offer more? Is it possible to open another DISC program in the district where it is needed?**

There are financial considerations. The DISC programs is full at 10 students in a school. The number of students on a DISC waiting list is a factor in determining the number of schools offering a DISC program.

**Question – 5. Field trip form – Is it practical and can we make some modifications to the form?**

All input is appreciated. Modifications will be made please make recommendations to principals. The principals will discuss it at a principals' meeting.

**Information - 6. Professional courtesy regarding notification of participation in mandated or requested participation in an in-service or training.**

**Discussion** – ADTA asked administration to provide as much lead-time as reasonably possible to help teachers plan for having to be out of the classroom.

**Information** - At the end of the meeting Superintendent John Rogers also gave the ADTA Officers a copy of the AUSD Master Facilities Plan. Superintendent Rogers explained the process by which the state modernization monies for the school sites and infrastructure facilities were prioritized. The first three projects (in order) are currently: A new MOT building, Monterey Road Elementary Modernization, and AHS gym roof. Those three projects are scheduled for 2008 and 2009.