

EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MINUTES OF MEETING

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENT ADVOCATES (AASA)

FEBRUARY 9, 2012

6:00 P.M.

SANTA TERESA HIGH SCHOOL

MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM

Present:

<i>Mulugeta Habtegabriel</i>	<i>Rhonda McClinton-Brown</i>	<i>Patricia Martinez-Roach</i>
<i>Barbara Applewhite</i>	<i>Socorro McCord</i>	<i>Dan Moser</i>
<i>Shelley Furtano</i>	<i>Michael Payne-Alex</i>	<i>Mary Guillen</i>
<i>Brianna Law</i>	<i>Kalea Payne-Alex</i>	<i>Juan Cruz</i>

1. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. AASA Co-Chairperson Mulugeta Habtegabriel and Principal Juan Cruz extended a welcome to all in attendance at the meeting.

2. African American Student Community

- **Santa Teresa High School – Juan Cruz, STHS Principal**

The African American student population has not changed dramatically over the course of several years. This year, there are 116 African American students at Santa Teresa High School this year.

3. Outreach Efforts and Strategies to Engage African American Students

- **Santa Teresa High School – Juan Cruz, STHS Principal**

A presentation was provided by Principal Juan Cruz regarding outreach efforts and strategies to engage African American students.

School-wide parent outreach:

- *Back-to-School Night*
- *Senior Night*
- *Freshman Parents Meeting*
- *Sophomores Parents Meeting*
- *Junior Parents Meeting*
- *92% Teachers using School Loop – beginning of school year, teachers are provided a refresher course on School Loop*

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Naviance Software:

- *Students can pick courses*
- *Career awareness application available*
- *University post high school exploration*
- *Counselor communication*

4. How can AASA Help Parents and School Administration in their Efforts to Engage African American Parents and Students?

- **Santa Teresa High School Staff and Parents**
 - *African American parent group communications through use of School Loop*
 - *Facebook*

5. How can AASA Help Parents to Navigate the Educational System and Provide Resources to their Children?

- **Santa Teresa High School Parents**

Co-Chair Mulugeta Habtegabriel shared information as to how parents can access the African American Students Advocates (AASA) web page. Posted on AASA's web page are meeting agendas and supporting documents, meeting minutes, Vision, Mission, Goals, and the 2011-2012 meeting calendar.

<http://www.esuhd.org/Student-Services/African-American-Student-Advocates/index.html>

6. Next Meeting Date

The next AASA meeting is scheduled for March 8, 2012, at 6:00 PM at Mt. Pleasant High School – Library, 1750 S. White Road, San Jose.

7. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.