Questions Submitted by Trustee Elda Flores August 15, 2018 Regular Called Board Meeting Consent Agenda Item #11

Approval of Teacher under terms of the District of Innovation-Daniel Gonzales

Q1: Will Mr. Gonzales have the necessary knowledge and skills to teach ELA, Science, and Social Studies to 5th grade students?

Although the teacher is certified in math, he does have a fundamental understanding of standards-based lesson planning which requires the teacher to unwrap the TEKS for specific verbs and outcomes. This process will be extended to the other content areas during weekly PLCs with the grade level team.

Q2: How will the growth of the TEKS be monitored for those students for those core areas?

At Benavidez ES, students routinely take 2-3 week local common assessments which target the TEKS taught in the past units in the various content areas. During Data PLCs, data is analyzed and student groups are formed. TEKS that are in the lowest quartile are re-taught during small group instruction or reviewed in the focus lesson.

Q3: What kind of support will Mr. Gonzales be having during this school year?

The teacher will participate in weekly PLCs in collaboration with his grade level peers and under the direction of the instructional coach.