**Documentation of AVATAR Technical Assistance Phone Conversation**

**Participants**: Dr. Laura Saenz, University of Texas Pan American and Jean Keller, UNT, AVATAR

**Date:** 11/09/2012 **Time:** 4:30pm

**Status of documentation:** Data PowerPoint is completed. The team is strong and very dedicated. Dr. Saenz was unable to meet with the group in late September and early October; yet, good progress is being made.

**Topics discussed:** Chemistry is the focused discipline due to the need for STEM careers. They are going to focus on the regular chemistry rather than AP and work with the “traveling chemist.” The group is exploring ways to engage and utilize the transition counselors that are at two year institutions of higher education. Strong outcomes are expected from the work and it hoped the ECS Region 1 will support the work.

**Follow-up actions:** Kerry to follow up with Dr. Saenz regarding the region’s Action Plan and meeting minutes.