Documentation of AVATAR Technical Assistance Conversation

Participants: Janet Cunningham, Citizens for Educational Excellence and Jean Keller, AVATAR

Date: April 24, 2013 Time: 8:30-9:00 a.m.

Status of documentation:

1. Documentation is up to date. Meeting minutes are needed and Kerry will follow up with Janet.

Topics discussed:

1. Janet shared some exciting activities related to the achievement gaps in minority males and males in general. Victor Saenz met with the AVATAR group.
2. The Junior League has provided support for women, “Ready for College.”
3. A meeting of the new team was planned; yet, due to testing schedules, participation was low. The meeting will be rescheduled. Janet was very pleased with the new postsecondary partners: Coastal Bend College and Texas A & M Kingsville. Janet is continuing to solidify the secondary partners which will most likely be: Corpus Christi, Robstown, and Odem ISDs.
4. The teams for 2013-2014 will continue to focus on mathematics and the Math Wave Project.
5. Sonia Perez, Ed.D. (Deputy Director) and Linda Villarreal, Ed.D. (Executive Director) from ESC Region 2 have retired. A new director, Dr. Rick Alvarado is in place and Janet is excited to work with him
6. Janet will be unable to meet with the AVATAR Coordinator/Facilitators on June 18; however, Missy Maroon, ESC Region 2 will represent her.