Superintendent's Communications Council

ELEMENTARY (Continued)

Smithfield

- 6. With the heavy focus on literacy throughout all subjects, we have been able to improve our skills and refine our methods. With that said, there is still room for improvement and sustained focus. Will the district continue their Literacy Initiative next year to allow for this continued improvement before moving on to the next area of focus?
 - **A.** Yes, the focus for 2018619 will continue to be on literacy. We will specifically focus on building a culture of reading, writing, thinking and discussing with a continued emphasis on guided reading, reading strategies and vocabulary.
- 7. The math curriculum documents are filled with resources that work to supplement the Go Math series such as GPS, Engaging Math and ESC lessons along with other STAAR preparation materials. Additional materials and resources are needed to ensure that the curriculum and skills are being spiraled. Will the district be looking to adopt a more inclusive resource that includes spiraling like previous series did?
 - A. Unfortunately, the next math adoption cycle does not begin until the fall of 2023 with materials being ordered in the spring of 2024 and implemented in the fall of the 2024625 school year. During the next adoption cycle for math, materials will be closely examined to determine the appropriate

- 3. **Supplemental question and response related to Question #4 above re ASPIRE**: It is difficult for Hardeman to get support staff to work. Do they have any other options?
 - A. The only other option would be for the campus to pay the overtime from their campus site-based