

Appendix A – Acknowledgments

2014 Accountability Technical Advisory Committee (ATAC)

Representatives from districts and regional education service centers (ESCs) met in December 2013 and February 2014 to make recommendations to address major policy and technical issues for 2014 accountability.

School District Representatives

Sara Arispe, *Fort Worth ISD*, Executive Director, Accountability & Data Quality, Region 11

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Arlene Williams, *Southwest ISD*, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction, Region 20

ESC Representatives

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Kelly Solis, *Region 1 ESC*, Director of Special Education

2014 Accountability Policy Advisory Committee (APAC)

Representatives from legislative offices, school districts, and the business community were invited to participate in identifying issues critical to the accountability system. The APAC met in January and March 2014 to review the recommendations made by the ATAC. The APAC either endorsed the ATAC's proposals or recommended alternatives which were forwarded to the commissioner.

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Whitney Broughton, Education Advisor, *Office of Governor Perry*
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School District / School Board / College & University / Education Organization Representatives

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Alfred Ray, Superintendent, *Duncanville ISD*
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Denise Trauth, President, *Texas State University*
Catherine Clark, Associate Executive Director, *Texas Association of School Boards*
Tom Luce, Chairman of the Board, *National Math and Science Initiative*
Jeri Stone, Executive Director/General Counsel, *Texas Classroom Teachers Association*

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2014 Academic Achievement Distinction Designations Committee (AADDCC)

Professionals, content experts, educators, and community leaders appointed by the Offices of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and Speaker of the House of Representatives met in March 2014 to make recommendations for 2014 academic achievement distinction designations in science and social studies.

Nominated by Office of the Governor

Bob Bowman, *Bob Bowman & Associates*
Woody Cox, *Little Cypress-Mauriceville High School*
Melissa Kovach
Veronica Stidvent, *McCombs School of Business*

Nominated by Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Suzanne Garcia McCall, *Slaton ISD*
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Twila Read, *Grand Prairie ISD*
Greg Williams, *Odessa College*

Nominated by Speaker of the House

Julie Hummel, *Spring Branch ISD*
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