

District Advisory Committee (DAC) Meeting

6:30 pm – 8:00 p.m. Rosemont High School, Cafeteria 9594 Kiefer Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95827

MINUTES

January 10, 2012

Call to Order

Lourdes Jimenez-Price, President called the meeting to order at meeting called to order 6:42p.m.

Predent to Pledge of Allegiance led by Lourdes Jimenez-Price.

Roll Call

Attendees were determined from the sign-in sheets. The following schools/departments were represented:

School	Attendees	
California Middle	Lily Williams	
Camellia Basic	Laura Rios	
Capital City/Independent Study - K-8	Alex Visaya	
Hiram W. Johnson High	LaTisha Lawson	
Joseph Bonnheim	Mary Alvarez-Jett	Rebecca Statton
New Technology High	Carol Aviles	
Peter Burnett	Vergie Rios Nunez	
Phoebe A. Hearst Basic	Lourdes Jimenez-Price	Shane Sawyer
Pony Express	Emily Bacchini	
Rosa Parks	Kionne Cochran	
Rosemont	Barbara Boyd	Mesbines
Sam Brannan Middle	Cecelia Wilson	
School of Engineering and Sciences	Darlene Anderson	Mali Currington
Total Attendees	17	

Community		
Nekesha Bell de Castanon		
Toni Coley-Perry		

District	
Jessica Bowman	
Manuel Guillot	

Schools Absent

The following schools were unrepresented:

A. M. Winn Elementary School, A. Warren McClaskey Adult Center, Abraham Lincoln Elementary School, Albert Einstein Middle, Alice Birney Waldorf Inspired, American Legion, Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School, Bowling Green McCoy Academy, Bret Harte, C. K. McClatchy High, Caleb Greenwood - K-8, Caroline Wenzel, Cesar E. Chavez, Charles A. Jones Careeer Education Center, Clayton B. Wire, Collis P. Huntington, Crocker/Riverside, Earl Warren, Edward Kemble, Elder Creek, Ethel I. Baker, Ethel Phillips, Father Keith B. Kenny, Fern Bacon Basic Middle, Florin Technology Education Center, Freeport, Fremont School For Adults, Fruit Ridge, Genevieve F. Didion - K-8, George

Washington Carver School of Arts and Science, Golden Empire, H.W. Harkness, Hollywood Park, Hubert H. Bancroft, Isador Cohen, James W. Marshall, Jedediah Smith, John Bidwell, John Cabrillo, John D. Sloat Basic, John F. Kennedy High, John H. Still Elementary, John H. Still Middle, John Morse Therapeutic Center, Kit Carson Middle, Leonardo da Vinci - K-8, Luther Burbank High, Maple, Mark Hopkins, Mark Twain, Martin Luther King Jr. - K-8, Matsuyama, Nicholas, O.W. Erlewine, Oak Ridge, Pacific, Parkway, PHI – Center for Physically and Health Impaired, Sacramento New Technology High School (Charter School), Sequoia, Success Academy K-8, Susan B. Anthony, Sutter Middle, Sutterville, Tahoe, The MET, Theodore Judah, Washington, West Campus, Will C. Wood, William Land, Woodbine, Capital Height Academy

Agenda

Recommendation for modifications. Family and Commnity Engagement (FACE) will not be presenting. Topic will be rescheduled for a later meeting due to the holidays. Agena approved as modified.

Minutes

Minutes where drafted, but not printed. Minutes for November, December and January will be provided at February meeting.

Program

Parent Engagement Training

Kionne Cochran presented on the subject of Parent Engagement. Handouts were prepared and not printed. Handouts will be provided electronically.

Kionne gave a brief overview on why the federal government requires parent engagement. Within each school site binder the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) Section 1118. No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act affords a district to receive federal and state money which is to involve parents. Recognie parents have the right to say, in regards to what goes on the school site in implementation of programs etc.

Kionne covered different ways a district can implement parent engagement. Some of those ways are the following:

- Development of the School Development Improvement Plan (SDIP),
- LEA Plan must have a written policy in place in order to receive the funds,
- Board regulations.
- Board policy 6020 which covers how the district plans to implement.

All items covered are under the Title I law.

Discussion on the items covered began to raise questions and comments. "Does the data demonstrate the plan?"

Stop talking about it and start doing something to figure out what can work.

We have a responsibility, some schools are not respresented and we do not want to take away from those who are represented.

Working each day to try to better the past.

How does the board oversee the district to make sure they are doing their job?

Lourdes took note of the questions and will see what to present to the board. The DAC has a 2 minute time fame to present items.

Another question about meeting locations was raised, and lots of discussion was covered of notification of the DAC meeting. District sends notification of meeting to principles, but it looks as if district is failing to educate. 80 representatives and the meeting does not have full representation. Some other members commented on meeting needing to be heavily advertised, but others comments on the meeting being held closer to school site. Appreciated the effort. As the body matures things will improve. The district needing to be held accountable to post meeting announcements. All comments were duly noted.

Kionne continued with presentation and covered the following topics:

- Technical assistance of Title I schools. DAC provides assistance with school site, and covered the board policy on how the implement Section 1118, NCLB which includes parents in the process of student achievement.
- Build capacity of the schools for effective parent engagement, capacity is stressed.
- How are they going to do it by assisting schools in parent workshops, understanding content standards, assessments, Title I workshops work with parents in the achievement of your children.
- Provide materials to local school site. Serna Center, Parent Resource Center has computers, internet, and library to speak with person information for your child. 30 school sites have Parent Resource Centers. Community advisor. esl classes, parent participation. Free for parents to learn on how to be involved.
- Educate school personnel.
- District will help educate principals, teachers.
- Information is on the school districts website.
- All available board policies.
- District had Gina Preston conference which covered Joyce Epsteins 6 types.
- District school board has implementated SSC reporting period. SSC's can systemically, programmatically speak to the board. A two minute time slot has been given so SSC's can speak to what is and is not working.
- PTA has a clothes closet and needs donations. There is a list of 68 parent involvement ideas provided by PTA. The list will be e-mail and shared with everyone.
- School Survey. Every year 1% of your schools overall budget is set-aside to engage you. Susan B. Anthony has a nice resource center. There are a lot of schools who did not spend their parent involvement money. This needs to be used. Its for growing parents knowledge in different welcoming ways.

Kionne briefly spoke about the SACS training. This training is directly tied to the budget. Representative's and parents are always encouraged to attend the SACS training.

Committee Reports

SACS Committee Report

Kionne reported on the SACS Committee. The meeting minutes are available. Kionne will send will send out a notification for the next meeting. The SACS Committee met during the Christmas break. The committee reviewed information to request from the Accounting office how EIA and SCE dollars was spent. The goal is to look a what was done in the past, to gain an understanding in going forward, and to make better informed decisions. This is a mini overview in learning SACS. Everyone is excited and ready to attend the next meeting. The Budget Advisory Committee next meeting is January 16, 2012 the location is at the Coffee Garden off Franklin around 6:00-7:30pm.

Public Comment

Manuel Guillot – Spots are still available for the Leadership Academy which starts February 23. Course covers Collaborative leadership practices.

There was a request to change February's meeting date. Lourdes will take the matter up up for consideration at the next DAC Board meeting.

Contact Lourdes if you plan to report on your school site at the next board meeting.

Upcoming workshops were announced for the next week that cover Parent Rights and Resource Centers. The workshops will talk about how to implement a Parent Resource Center, Parent Teacher Home Visit. All workshops are free.

Legislative Conference is February 6 and 7. Embassy Suites Advocacy offers learning to advocate for your kids. The conference fee of 165 dollars, for two days are paid by Title I, Parent Engagement funds.

Flier for Diane Ravitch, NCLB discussion. Diane is from the SAC Teachers Association.

Carol Aviles – The Membership Committee is in the process of trying to reserve a time to conduct a meeting. The committee is looking for members to be on Membership Committee. The district has 82 schools and only 29 representatives in attendance. The goal of the committee is to boost membership.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Next meeting will be on February, 28, 2012, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., at Serna Center, Community Room