

SCUSD Community Advisory Committee
9/28/2021 General Meeting

Meeting Notes

Meeting recording: https://scusd.zoom.us/rec/share/GaO2129AK4auck1dchpRu_viG3Otg-CErVeiQ_ZCSeq5DiRiThP207DaSfIX4wUd.d1jUt1tp3teCTvSI

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1.2 Introductions

- CAC officers introduced themselves

2.1 Announcements from CAC Executive Officers

- Kenya Martinez: Bring to everyone's attention AB 104 – bill for students who may be retained. For high schoolers (11th and 12th on diploma track), there is an extension to October 1st to request pass/fail grades.

3.1 Public comment on items not on the agenda

- Renee Webster-Hawkins: Long time CAC member and member of Decoding Dyslexia. Dyslexia awareness month. Community trainings about dyslexia. Dyslexia affects students in both general and special education.

4.1 Introduction of District staff

- Geo Linares provided overview of SpEd staff and changes to organization.
 - Dr. Hedegard, SpEd Director
 - Geo Linares, SELPA Director
 - Administrators: Dr. Sarah Dhah, Aprille Shafto, Dr. Leslie Hernandez
 - 13 program specialists, each assigned to several school sites (presentation with this information to be posted to the web). New Specialist: Maggie Reyes (Camelia, Chavez, Kemble, Bidwell, Erlewine, Pony, Sequoia, Woodbine).
- Renee Webster-Hawkins: Does transitions include transition to college? Geo: Yes.
- ESSER III (Community Engagement) (Geo Linares presentation)
 - Expects approximately \$150M. Plan must be adopted by the Board by October 29 and submitted to SCOE for review and approval. Funds can be used through September 30, 2024.
 - Strategies for continuous and safe in-person learning
 - Addressing impact of lost instructional time
 - Additional uses
 - Plan must describe how it will be monitored
 - Ideally align to LCAP, learning opportunities grant, learning plan.
 - Options: health aides, staffing, shade structures, ventilation projects. Many other proposed options shown on slide.
 - Input gathered from CAC.

- AB 361: Teleconferencing and Brown Act
 - Raoul Bozio: Can continue to conduct meetings virtually. Normal remote meeting requirements delayed. However, Board must take action to determine those virtual meetings are necessary. Must allow public comment without pre-signing up. Board is planning to take action to allow continued virtual meetings. This will be for 30 days for now, with further action TBD. Special meeting this Thursday.
 - Benita Shaw Ayals: If we resume in person meetings, we should continue to offer virtual option. For the public attendees as well as Board members.
 - Raoul Bozio: If the community wants virtual option when in-person resumes, that is something that would be a good public comment for the Board.
- AB 130: Independent Study
 - Time ran out due to previous discussion topic – not discussed

4.2 Public sharing of concerns and questions

- Many questions were raised during Item 4.1.
- Benita noted that all stakeholders are welcome at CAC, and the CAC does not side with unions, District, etc. We appreciate anyone who can provide input and invite all stakeholders to continue to attend our meetings.
- David Fisher: Meeting with Dr. Hedegard tomorrow to talk about SpEd issues, including independent study and compensatory education. Continue to have concerns about independent study, in particular for students with disabilities. Our goal was to keep independent study at the site level. Did make a proposal for substitutes and for retaining and attracting SpEd staff. COVID testing: official proposal to make it universal. Support for mandatory staff and student vaccinations. Appreciate being able to provide this update and to hear from CAC.
- Mo Kashmiri (SEIU): No update, just listening in.

5.1 Update from SELPA Director Geovanni Linares

- (combined with Item 4.1)

6.1 2021-22 meeting calendar and agenda topics

- Taylor Kayatta introduced meeting topics for the rest of the year and invited suggestions to cac@scusd.edu.

6.2 Officer election date(s)

- Benita noted that we will have all elections in March/April. Vacancies will be filled at that time. Plus, Dennis's spot will become available.