

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Office of Parent and Community Services

Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)

Thursday, May 23, 2019

Minutes

Copies of written reports and materials distributed are available upon request; as well as an archive of video recordings of PAC meetings. For these and any other questions, please, ask PCS staff.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Paul Robak, the PAC Chairperson called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and welcomed those in attendance. Then recessed for 4 minutes, reconvening at 10:07 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The flag salute was led by Ingrid Carolina Ochoa, a PAC alternate.

III. ROLL CALL

Members were seated and roll call was called by Juan Godinez, the PAC Secretary at 10:13 a.m. Quorum was established with 30 members present at the time (28 needed).

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public were given the opportunity to address the committee. There were three public comments.

V. PACKET REVIEW

Contents of the packet were reviewed by Jeannette Godina, the PAC Parliamentarian.

After the packet was reviewed, we had greetings from a surprise visit, Deputy Superintendent Vivian Ekchian. After saying good morning she mentioned how she loved her work and that she thought she was staying in it, but opportunity came knocking on the door and she accepted a job as Superintendent for the Glendale Unified School District. She expressed gratitude for working with her, for the support, and for making her better at her job, a better parent, and a better administrator. She encouraged us to continue the communication and the collaboration, to continue the networking among us parents, and reminded us that we are stronger when we unite. She invited us to visit her, that her door would always be open for parents.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• Standing Subcommittees Reports

African American Students

A report was given by Yolanda Ford-Swinton, the group leader.

Among other things, she mentioned that they shortened the Subcommittee's mission statement, she said that the group is focusing on two LCAP goals; one is Proficiency for All, where they are concentrating in the African American subgroup and trying to contribute in closing the achievement gap. The other is the Parent Engagement, where they were not trying to reinvent the wheel, they are trying to gather strategies to involve more parents, and encourage them to be more active in their children's education. They are listing the help of Dr. Whitman, who will be attending the Subcommittee's next meeting, which will be taking place May 28.

There was one public comment on this item. There was one comment/question from members.

ROLL CALL (cont.)

At 10:33 a.m., alternates were attempted to be seated; there were vacancies but no alternates for those seats were available; the alternates that were present couldn't be seated because their respective representatives were present. At 10:43 a.m. 35 members were present.

Bylaws

A report was given by Jeannette Godina, the group leader.

Meeting dates were given, as well as, information about the sections that the group has worked on. It was reported that the group will continue to work and the next step would be to present the proposed amendments for the membership to review.

There was one public comment and twelve comments/questions by members.

Foster Youth

A report was given by Mary Lee, the group leader.

She stated the fact that there are only two members in the subcommittee and emphasized the need to grow the group. Among other things it was said that their focus is proficiency and attendance, she stressed the need for outreach and bring awareness throughout the District, as well as, the need for an orientation at the beginning of the school year for parents and caregivers, as is training on how to navigate the system in the school district.

There was no public comment. There were four comments/questions from members.

VII. MINUTES

Judith Padilla moved to approve the minutes from May 23 meeting with the necessary corrections, deletions or additions; seconded by Maria Daisy Ortiz.

There were five comments from members.

The voting was; 27 in favor and 2 against; motion passed.

VIII. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Paul Robak, the PAC Chairperson, gave his report, in which among other things, he mentioned that after four weeks that the LCAP comments generated were approved, there are no responses from the Superintendent as of yet. He also mentioned the severely compressed time frame we had to work with and that hopefully starting earlier next school year (November) will make it easier on all of us. A mention was made about the lack of transparency from the District related to information about the LCAP budget, the SENI 2.0 program, and its' relation with the targeted student population or TSP. Members of the public were given the opportunity for comment; there was one comment given. PAC members followed with questions and/or comments; eight members participated.

IX. OFFICE OF PARENT AND COMMUNITY SERVICES UPDATE

Dr. Rosalinda Lugo, Administrator of PCS gave her report. Within the report the upcoming Special Local School Funding Election on June 4 and Measure EE was mentioned. Also it was communicated that currently there are 50 members, and 3 termination and 10 warning letters were sent to some members, as well as, the need to finalize the PAC's meeting dates for the next school year; a meeting will be held August 14 with the 2-year PAC members to review the calendar. The creation of a District Parent Legislation Study Group was reported, which first meeting will take place June 5. There was no public comment. There were four questions/comments given by committee members.

X. NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made by Maria Daisy Ortiz and seconded by Yamile Sainz, to move up from the agenda the SENI 2.0 presentation.

The voting was 30 in favor and 0 against. The motion passed.

• Student Equity Needs Index 2.0

The presenter was Dr. Derrick Chau, Senior Executive Director Office of the Chief Financial Officer.

The report included an update on SENI 2.0, a timeline of engagement, and a summary of the working group sessions. A chart on the 2019-20 SENI implementation was explained, as was, the changes that were made. The presentation also included a time line to date of the School Performance Framework, where different themes were described and the difference between

growth and change was explained. We were introduced to an Overall Score methodology and how the District will chart the overall performance levels.

There was no public comment. There were eleven comments/questions from members.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Juan Godinez, PAC Secretary.