

Parent and Community Services
CAC Meeting Wednesday April 18, 2018

Auditorium
10am – 1pm

Call to Order: Sharnell Blevins, CAC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 10:18am.

Pledge of Allegiance: Reginald Green led the pledge.

Public Comment: There was none

Roll Call/Establish Quorum: Ana Carrion took roll, 22 members were present, and quorum was established.

Approval of Minutes: Reginald Green moved to accept the minutes and fix the spelling of Ms. Jenny Xiomara Martinez Rosales Aguilar's name. Laura Baz seconded the motion. It passed 17 votes in favor to 0 against and 2 abstaining.

Presentation of the Bylaws: Zella Knight moved to table the bylaw presentation to the May 2018 CAC meeting as unfinished business for final approval. Jacquelyn Smith Conkleton seconded. In the Discussion, member Paul Robak wondered if there would be enough time, and some others expressed the same concern. Zella Knight called for the question. It passed 13 in favor, 2 against and 5 abstaining.

Motion

Jacquelyn Smith Conkleton made a motion to move the presentation of the Annual Service Plan to now. Zella Knight seconded. It was approved by consensus.

Presentation of the Annual Services Plan and the Annual Budget Plan, Division of Special Education: La Tanya Tolan, specialist, Beth Kauffman Associate Superintendent and Veronica Smith, MCD Director. The purpose of the plan is 1. To assist our CAC in understanding the District's obligation as a Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA), 2. To share the District's ABP and ASP to improve transparency and understanding and 3. The ABP and ASP for the 2018-2019 school year are due to the California Department of Education each year.

We need to hold Principals accountable to post information about Special Ed meetings. Notice of the hearing shall be posted at least 15 days prior. Members said they will spread the news. A member suggested that Teachers' Aides should have training in controlling emotions.

Motion

Zella Knight moved to have all written recommendations on chart be forwarded to the Division of Special Education and the responses to the recommendations be provided to the CAC at the May meeting and that the May agenda presentation only be bylaws and SELPA plan response. It was seconded by Reginald Green and approved by consensus.

Chairperson's Report and New Business: Sharnell Blevins announced the date of the next meeting as May 16 and asked for recommendations for the next meeting. She also elaborated over the Committee of the Whole.

Beth Kaufman showed a flyer with upcoming dates of "Coffee with the Division of Special Ed"

There will be a conference at Cal State LA on May 12. The CAC has 30 days to revise the Local Plan.

Parent and Community Services Update: Dr. Lugo, PCS Administrator, acknowledged the passing of Barbara Bush and praised her achievements. Ms. Blevins did a great job at the Board for the Committee of the Whole. She reminded members about the upcoming day with the Superintendent on June 26th. This is the third meeting and it is very important to show up. Attendance will be discussed as well as the new Equity Index. She added, "I want to congratulate the CAC for accomplishing your goal and having quorum at all 6 meetings". The Superintendent search is still going on. Next Friday April 27, we'll have a meeting on how to support the needs of Standard English Learners.

Alma Peña Sanchez is here from the Superintendent's office. I shall share your concerns with Local District Superintendents. We have the smartest parents ever and I would like to thank the Department of Special Ed. Members expressed concern that they were excluded from the Superintendent selection.

Motion

Zella Knight moved to develop a letter of support for Interim Superintendent Vivian Ekchian. It was seconded by Kathy Kantner and approved by consensus. Officers will draft the letter.

Announcements: there were several announcements given in various updates.

Adjournment: the meeting adjourned at 1:01pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ana Carrion, Secretary