

Parent Adivosry Committee (PAC) Administrator's Report April 25, 2019



District Updates

- The Chairpersons from the three committees were invited to make a presentation to the Committee of the Whole on Tuesday April 09, 2019. Mr. Paul Robak, PAC Chairperson, provided comments to the Board Of Education.
- There is a Special Local School Funding Election on June 4, 2019. <u>Measure EE</u> will provide additional locally controlled school funding, the Los Angeles School District Board of Education voted unanimously to place Measure EE, a 16 cent per square foot parcel tax, on the ballot in a special local school funding election.
- Scholastic "From Parent Involvement to Parent Empowerment" Development Sessions
 This process is going to be impactful to our work with parents for the next few years. Please come and join us in our last session on identifying measures on parent engagement. –April 29, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Committee Update

In order to address multiple concerns from DELAC, PAC, and CAC members regarding the decorum at our meetings I am going to implement RULES OF DECORUM FOR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC (Based on LAUSD Board Rule 137) effective April 24, 2019. The rules which are attached to this report and are posted in the PCS Auditorium is intended to clarify and encourage comments from the public regarding the PAC agenda and the work that PAC members must complete. According to the Greene Act, "Any member of the public shall be able to address the council or committee during the meeting on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the council or committee." In addition, in the *Handy Guide to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act 2004*, the following is described on public participation, "Public comment protected by the Act includes criticism of the programs, policies and officials of the state body." (pg. 10). I do want to remind all PAC Committee Members that they have the following obligations regarding the public and public comments:

- The obligation of committee members to listen during public comments and take into consideration what the public has to offer to accomplish the work of the committee.
- The members may not react or address any issues that the public bring to the attention of the members but their suggestions can be added to the next meeting's agenda for discussion and action.
- DELAC, CAC and PAC officers need to recognize that they may receive criticism or advice from members of the public.
- Parents who give up their time to another member of the public so that they can speak for more than 2 minutes should not be questioned by committee members.
- Members of the public who follow the Rules of Decorum for Members of the Public should not be criticized for providing public comments.

As a reminder, all members of District committees are expected to abide by the committee's Operating Norms and Code of Conduct. PCS staff also monitors these norms and code of conduct.

<u>Attachment A</u>: Contains an update as to the PAC Membership.

Standing Committees: As was suggested by one of the PAC members, PCS checked with the Office of General Counsel regarding the proposal to have the PAC create a "Legislative Subcommittee". Due to the description outlined in Education Code regarding the purpose of the PAC and the language of the PAC bylaws regarding the purpose of the PAC (See below), a "Legislative subcommittee" would not be appropriate or allowed. I will work with interested parents on exploring how we can create a PCS group that focuses on learning regarding legislation.

Let me know if you have any questions or if you need clarification regarding this committee update.

PCS Update

PCS Staff: We will be having a new staff member joining PCS. Her name is Sarah Houston. Her position is a Policy and Program Development Specialist. She will focus on supporting key parent programs and initiatives in our office and within the Local Districts, gathering data and reviewing research to identify and measure the impact of our work. She will be starting on April 22, 2019. We welcome her.

Upcoming Central District Parent Committee Trainings: Spring 2019

Please plan on participating in as many of these as you can.

April 26, 2019—IEP (Repeat from the Fall requested by parents)

Enroll in the Parent Portal!

State Testing

The State of California is going paperless regarding all State Testing results. Parents will be able to obtain student test results through their Parent Portal account. Parents need to enroll in Parent Portal.

SBAC State Testing Window opens March 4, 2019 until June 7, 201



Review of PAC Bylaws

Article II Purpose

The PAC shall review, advise and comment on the District's Local Control and Accountability Plan. (LCAP).

Article III Responsibility Section A

The responsibility of the Parent Advisory Committee shall be as outlined in California State Education Code Section 52062 and 52063. The PAC shall review, advise, and comment on the District's Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) regarding the requirements in Article 4.5 of the Education Code.