

Community Advisory Committee for Special Education

West Contra Costa Unified School District

Pupil Services Center, Special Education

2465 Dolan Way

San Pablo, CA 94806

MINUTES April 10, 2017

CAC members present: Patricia Albeno, Fayza Ayyad, Jeanine Bishop, Estela Depaz, Danielle Storer, Lisa Steiner, Corina Samaniego,

Staff members present: Steve Collins, Madeline Kronenberg

Guests present: Anne Hall, Max Mueller

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Introductions were made.

Review of Minutes: Approval upon arrival of quorum.

A motion to approve the minutes from February 6 put forth by L. Steiner, seconded by D Storer, Minutes for February 6, 2017 approved.

Public Comment:

Transition Resource Fair will be held April 22 at Vista Hills. If CAC members can help, please arrive by 9.

A Sesame Street character with autism has been created, and books have been made available. Jeanine will distribute to members who would like one.

Patricia distributed CARE Parent Newsletter.

Congresso Familiar Conference April 29: Registration happening now, contact CARE to register.

Hercules HS is having a Makers Fair May 20.

Cameron Ice Cream Social will be held May 23.

SELPA Directors Report:

At SELPA Director's meeting topics were; funding and equalization across the state, and additional funding for Pre-K. The possible elimination of the SELPA model is no longer an issue. Regional grouping of small districts into multi-district SELPAs make it possible to provide services across districts throughout the SELPA.

Extended School Year, (Summer School), elementary sites for SH are Harding and Collins. Admins selected are Alison Makela and Denise Pinney.

The Comprehensive review took place the week of March 20th. The CDE brought in staff to review 75 files over 2 days followed by a day of reviewing files for educational benefit.

15 school sites were visited, and a verbal report was given at the end of the week.

Areas of strengths were: Sped staff worked well together and collaboratively with gen. ed. staff and schools.

Areas of need included gen. ed. teachers not present for IEPs, transition goals need to match areas of interest, and must carry over from year to year.

The full report will be sent to WCCUSD in approx. 12 weeks and will include instructions and timelines for corrective actions.

Leg Day, on May 3 in Sacramento. Jeanine will get information for any CAC members who want to stay for the CAC Meet and Greet after the legislative appointments.

Old Business:

Committee updates:

Emergency committee: Libby sent information on an Autism Risk and Safety training for first responders and police, in Dublin next month. Dennis Debbaudt is the presenter. Will send info to anyone interested. We will find out if he is providing a parent presentation.

Transportation: Short on drivers. No one passed the last round of classes. They are offering bonuses for finding new drivers or perfect attendance for 20 days.

LCAP – Last meeting focused on membership and organization. Difficulty is lack of training for new and rotating members. New dashboard was revealed with data.

Sp Ed. Uses lcap funding for RTI and udl, psychologists, technology and online programs.

New Business:

Alternative Dispute Resolution Conference (ADR) sharing out: Largest attendance to date. More parent perspective is needed at future conferences. Estela shared the CADDRE Continuum of Conflict Resolution from Phil Moses' presentation.

You Make a Difference. Went smoothly with everyone's participation. Incorrect photo of student in slideshow. Same student was invited to KTVU by Mr. Vacar.

Discussion for May: What do you want to see CAC work on for next year?

Membership for 17-19. Submit names for membership by next meeting, May 1.

For the Good of the Order:

The next CAC meeting will be on May 1.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Bishop