

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 November 5, 2018

CAC members present: Patricia Albeno, Corina Samaniego, Jeanine Bishop, Victor Costa, Nancie Rouse, Danielle Storer

Staff members present: Nick Berger, Sue Moehlenbrock, Leslie Hernandez, Claudia Velez, Joe Barr, Elizabeth Bundschu-Mooney

Guests present: Margot Aishiteru, Patrick Gillespie, Peter Weschler, Suzie Weschler, Cherese LeBlanc, Monique deRoover, Liz Block

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.

Introductions.

Public Comment:

- Let's Keep Learning Conference at CC College on December 8.
- Challenger Little League for boys and girls all ages with disabilities, taking sign-ups now.
- Care Parent Newsletter includes IEP training calendar. Trainings are available in English and Spanish
- A suggestion was made regarding allowing aides to attend IEP meetings. Discussion: Aides work under the direction of the teacher and can give input by report or in person in preparation for meetings. They are with students during the school day and not paid to attend meetings afterschool.

Review and approval of minutes:

Approval of September minutes held over from October meeting. Motion to approve by E. Mooney, 2nd by E Mooney. Approved with no changes.

Approval of October minutes: Motion to approve by N. Rouse, 2nd by E. Mooney. Approved with no changes.

Presentation:

Claudia Velez - Principal, and Joe Barr ISP Teacher

History and Implementation of the ISP model at Wilson Elementary

Key Points – Students are in Gen ed and not missing instruction in preferred subjects.

Challenging behaviors are decreasing due to students having more time with more appropriate models. Reading groups are based on abilities. All students are learning cultural benefits of inclusion. - **We thank Ms. Velez and Mr. Barr for this valuable presentation to CAC.**

SELPA Directors Report:

- The RSP position at DeAnza has been filled and the teacher has been paired with a mentor teacher.
- The dept. is still looking for aides, especially those that can work 3.5 hours.
- Also looking for preschool teachers. Pre-K has increased by approx. 200 students in the past 3 years. To be a preschool teacher, both the mod-severe credential and preschool

credential is needed. A suggestion was made to push out on more social/electronic media.

- First Student has increased the number of drivers, so fewer are doubling routes. Department website is updated and organizational charts and resources are now included on the department page.
- Sean Corson is heading up the Special Olympics events. Special Olympics school events are coming up with the first major event at ECHS. Basketball on December 5. Adaptive PE is including training for the student athletes in preparation for the events.
- The Sondag reading curriculum has been ordered for classrooms in response for requests for reading programs for students with dyslexia.
- An Inclusive Practices Conference is planned for next summer.

Old Business:

Committee updates:

- Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) Committee update
A representative from CAC is still needed to attend LCAP.
- Medi-Cal - will meet in December
- Transportation - Nick has been meeting with First Student. There have been personnel changes in the company's upper management. Royce oversees our area.

New Business:

You Make a Difference - Discussion on choice of MC and nomination process. YMaD forms have been mailed to schools. They are also on line as PDFs and fillable forms. Members are needed for a nomination committee meeting. The meeting date is TBD but will be in early December.

For the Good of the Order:

Vote!

The next meeting is December 3 and includes a potluck.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeanine Bishop