

West Contra Costa Unified School District

Minutes of the District Local Control Accountability Parent Committee

**John F. Kennedy High School
4300 Cutting Blvd.
Richmond, CA 94804**

April 26, 2016

Committee Members Present:

Xavier Abrams, Cristal Banayan, Heather Best, Sonia Bustamante, Kimberly Chamberlain, Carolyn Day Flowers, Raquel Donoso, Petronila Fernandes, Gabriela Gomez, Judith Dunlop-Hollenberger, Quannie Johnson, Ingrid Lopez, Emma Rogev, Isaac Resendiz, Maria Resendiz, Greg Santiago, Stephanie Sequeira, LaShante Smith, Danielle Storer, Kathleen Sullivan, Juanita Towns, Teresa Vasquez Gutierrez

Staff Present:

Elizabeth Carmody, Director Community Engagement; Steve Collins, SELPA Director; Denise Cifelli, Confidential Secretary; Sheri Gamba, Associate Superintendent Business Services; Wendell Greer, Associate Superintendent K-Adult Education; April Hawkins, Administrator; Nicole Joyner, Director Data and Accountability; Daniela Parasidis, Executive Director Business Services; Mary Phillips, Director of Technology; Nia Rashidchi, Assistant Superintendent Educational Services; Regina Webber, Director Business Services; Ken Whittemore, Assistant Superintendent Human Resources

I. Welcome and Introductions

Chairperson Xavier Abrams opened the meeting at 6:36 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Members introduced themselves and stated which organization/school group they represented.

Mindful Exercise/Ice breaker – Co-Chair Maria Resendiz led the committee in an exercise which assisted them in keeping their focus on the purpose of the committee and reason they are were there.

II. Review Agenda and Meeting Norms

Chairperson Abrams asked members to review the agenda. Ms. Sequiera requested time to discuss the bylaws. Ms. Abrams advised they would discuss during the “old business” portion of the meeting.

Ms. Joyner went through the contents of member’s packets.

III. Staff Presentations – Budget Update

Sheri Gamba, Associate Superintendent Business Services, presented information detailing the budget cycle and factors that impact the budget throughout the year. That lead into an explanation of how and why the district estimates numbers, the affects of attendance and demographic changes within the district, changes in State budget which impact the budget, and estimates for 2016-17. She concluded her presentation by recapping where the district is with estimates for 2016-17, multi-year program factors, and carry over.

There was additional discussion relating to School Site Council (SSC) dollars and carryover. Carolyn Day-Flowers suggested a district wide SSC committee meeting in order to share best practices.

A member requested Ms. Gamba's presentation be available on the DLCAP website to which Ms. Joyner agreed.

IV. DLCAP Committee Goal/Purpose – Review 1st Draft of 2016-17 LCAP

Ms. Abrams and Ms. Broke the committee into 5 groups to review draft of 2016-17 LCAP and provide feedback. Due to time constraints the groups did not provide a readout. Ms. Abrams requested groups turn in their notes and she will have the information rolled up into a single document.

IV. Public Comment

A couple members of the community spoke providing their comments on complaint procedures. A gentleman provided insight on what African American parents want from their children. A gentleman from the United Teachers of Richmond (UTR) advised the California Teachers Association (CTA) would be hosting a LCAP training on May 9th and would share the specifics with the committee. Another parent provided her thoughts on SSC budget and spending. A few parents commented on their feeling of lack of support in the Hercules and Pinole schools and Ford Elementary; and the expansion of restorative justice at DeJean Middle School. A representative of the African American Parent Group requested they have a member on the DLCAP committee.

V. Old Business

Ms. Bustamante provided an update on the Outreach Committee activities and barriers they encountered relating to lack of contact information. The committee discussed who would have access and use of the information.

Motion was made by Judith Hill to collect and share relevant contact information of all members with the Chair, Co-Chair and Outreach Committee only. Second by Juanita Towns. Motion was approved unanimously.

Ms. Abrams requested the discussion of bylaws requested by Ms. Sequeira be tabled until the next meeting.

VI. Next Meeting/Adjournment

Ms. Abrams noted the next DLCAP meeting would be May 12 where they will review the second draft of the 2016-17 LAP. She also noted there will be SSC training on 5/2 6-8pm and 5/4 10-Noon and will provide location information to the Executive Committee. Ms. Abrams then expressed her gratitude for translation services for the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.