

# Community Advisory Committee



# **Business Meeting**

Wednesday, March 16, 2022 Minutes

#### Call to Order

Vice chair Ariel Harman-Holmes the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Vice chair Ariel Harman-Holmes addressed the pledge of allegiance and Mr. Antonio Plascencia, PCS Administrator, directed it in Spanish. \*

#### **Public Comment**

Miho Murai, CAC Parliamentarian, reported that there were no public comments.

#### **CAC Chairperson's Report**

No Chairperson's report.

#### Greetings from LAUSD Board of Education President, Kelly Gonez, District 6

Ms. Gonez spoke about the efforts they are making to support students both social and emotionally and academically for all these impacts of the pandemic and is a priority for new Superintendent Alberto Carvalho who has a 100-day plan in which he wants to have inclusion for all stakeholders and invite us to review that plan.

We had questions and answers.

#### **Roll Call/Establish Quorum**

Seating of Alternate as Representative CAC Officer This item was taken later. A quorum is established with 18 members present 10: 57am

#### **Action Item**

#### Approval of Minutes for January 19, 2022

Mrs. Miho Murai made a grammatical error, Mr. John Perron made the first motion to approve the January 19, 2022, minutes with corrections; seconded by Jeanette Godina. 20 members voted in favor and the motion carried.

#### Action

#### Item Election of Secretary.

Lisa Porter, Senior Parent Facilitator conducted the election she reviewed the role for the secretary, she ask if there were any questions. The floor was open for nomination Mr. John Perron nominated Ms. Charlotte Henderson who declined the nomination, Ariel Harman-Holmes nominated Mr. Ed Andrews, who declined the nomination. Ms. Miho Murai nominated Ms. Gabriela Rangel and Ms. Rocio G Elorza; Ms. Gabriela Rangel declined the nomination. Ms. Elorza accepted the nomination; Mr. John Perron made the first motion to close the nominations and Mr. Patrick Bromark seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, twenty members voted for Ms. Rocio G Elorza who is the new secretary.

#### Recap from February 16, 2022

Director Manuel Hernandez of the Perez Special Education and Career and Transition Center informed us about the vision and mission, shared that they have 30 students working, and showed us some videos of students studying and working. She also spoke about the Vocational Programs A question and answer session followed.

#### **Division of Special Education (DSE) Update**

Marco Tolj, Administrator, Data, Planning and operations

Updates on items pertinent to parent committees and the Division of Special Education: Mr. Marco Tolj spoke about the focus group with students by the end of April, because the Superintendent wants to hear from all interested parties, and we want to ensure that students with needs have the opportunity to share their opinions as soon as support can be improved. He also shared information on how many IEPs were conducted in the last few months.

He talked about workshops for parents that we visit the website to see all the supports.

He commented on the window that opened for ESY that this year extended from February 22 to June 1. Two CAC members congratulated, Mr. John Perron and Ms. Ariel Harman-Holmes, for their participation in the conference held on March 5, 2022. He spoke about the window to submit applications for CAC 22-23 is open and said there is a new equity and access position for students with disabilities. He talked about the awareness and inclusion of the World Down Syndrome Day held every March 21.

In the announcements he spoke about supports for students with autism and about the new IEP brochure. He expressed how we can communicate with the Special Education Division, at LAUSD and in our local districts.

Aaron Jeffrey, Administrator of Early Education

Amy Allina-Chambers, CCEIS Coordinator

Brenda Regalado, CCEIS Coordinator

Dolores Kovalesky, CCEIS Coordinator

We were shown the difference between implicit bias, arising from ordinary mental functioning outside of how the mind normally functions. Attitudes toward people or groups associated with stereotypes without active knowledge of attitudes with prejudice.

-Mr. Aaron Jeffrey spoke about disproportionality. Focus: Comprehensive plan for Coordinated Early Intervening Services, general terms of significant disproportionality is when certain racial group / is over-represented in comparison total population in a specific area for 3 or more years.

As the California Department of Education (CDE) identifies local educational agencies

(LEA) as significantly disproportionate.

-Ms Dolores Kovalesky gave significant disproportionality discipline data for LAUSD data in 2019-2020. -Mrs. Amy Allina-Chambers talked about Understanding Disproportionality and how LEA develops a plan to address disproportionality. In these plans some partners have a Technical Assistance Facilitator - the district selects the Certified Technical Assistance Facilitator

The TAF provider supports District monitoring and implementation of plans. Also have required Teams. Ms. Brenda Regalado spoke about the CCEIS Plan as: Training and Support Ongoing CCEIS Parent Training Collaborative Development, told us about The Power of Motivational Parenting for Equity and Student Success, presented by CCEIS This was in the fall.

We had questions and answers.

#### Subcommittee Updates

John Perron, Parent Ambassador, Chairperson

Mr. John Perron Chair of Parents Ambassadors. Spoke about the last meeting. Colin gave them a presentation of the funds that are not being given and they want the legislature to force this,

Miho Murai, IEP Training, Chairperson

Ms. Miho Murai IEP Subcommittee Chair stated that her next meeting will be on April 6 and will continue to present how to understand an IEP, everyone was invited to participate. They let them that the meetings are on first Wednesday of each month at 10:00 am.

Mayra Zamora, Legislation, Chairperson No update

## **Update about Parent and Community Services**

Antonio Plascencia, Director, Office of Parent and Community Services,

Updates on items pertinent to parent committees and the CAC

Mr. Plascencia spoke about the help that parents were given to apply for CAC. He also talked about the completion of ELAC and SSC parent ambassadors and how this will help them make better recommendations in our schools.

- He invited to be part of Health Ambassadors
- He talked about the meeting we will have with the Superintendent who will discuss his agenda on 100-day plan.
- We had questions and answers from members.

## Possible Action Item:

New Business for Possible Action at Future Meetings

-They want to talk more about bias

- They want to know what the priorities are for the letter that will be presented to the Board of Education.

## Announcements from members and PCS staff

John Perron, Public Relations Officer

• Exit Poll

Claudia Valladarez, Specialist, Parent and Community Engagement
2022-2023 Parent Workshop Survey
The next meeting will be on April 20 from 10:00 to 1:00 pm

Action Item Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 1:03 pm

Respectfully submitted by, Rocio Elorza