



District Advisory Committee
(DAC) Meeting
6:30 pm – 8:00 p.m.
Serna Center Community Room

MINUTES
March 11, 2008

Call to Order

Darlene Anderson, DAC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. She welcomed and thanked School Site Council (SSC) representatives for coming.

Roll Call

Wanda Yanez, Executive Secretary, called roll. The following schools/departments were represented: **Albert Einstein** (Nadine Chiginsky), **A.M. Winn** (Cynthia Schafer), **Bret Harte** (Lynetta Hughes), **César Chávez** (Sandra Alvarez), **Clayton B. Wire** (Kham Xiong), **Collis P. Huntington** (Cecelia Wilson), **Earl Warren** (Amanda Toscano), **Edward Kemble** (Aline Benito & David Quintero), **Ethel Phillips** (Mary Greeson), **Golden Empire** (Mike Simpson, DAC Vice Chairperson), **Isador Cohen** (Mali Currington), **John Morse Waldorf** (Bill Alston), **Kit Carson** (Kirk Arnold), **Leonardo da Vinci** (Angelica Griffith), **Mark Twain and Success Academy** (Darlene Anderson, DAC Chairperson), **Pacific** (Carol Aviles & Annette Thompson), **Peter Burnett** (Virginia Rios Nunez), **Phoebe Hearst** (Michael Minnick), **Sutterville** (David Ross), **Tahoe** (María Rubio), **Theodore Judah** (Wanda Yanez, DAC Executive Secretary), **Sutter & Thomas Jefferson** (Kamilah Jones, DAC Parliamentarian), Parent Support Services (Manuel Guillot, Director).

Schools Absent

Elementary Schools: Abraham Lincoln, Alice Birney, Bowling Green, Caleb Greenwood, Camellia Basic, Capital City, Caroline Wenzel, Crocker/Riverside, David Lubin, Elder Creek, Ethel I. Baker, Freeport, Fruitridge, Genevieve F. Didion, H.W. Harkness, Hollywood Park, Hubert H. Bancroft, James W. Marshall, Jediah Smith, John Bidwell, John Cabrillo, John D. Sloat, John H. Still, Joseph Bonnheim, Lisbon, Maple, Martin Luther King, Marian Anderson, Matsuyama, Nicholas, O.W. Erlewine, Oak Ridge, Parkway, Pony Express, Sequoia, Success Academy, Susan B. Anthony, Washington, William Lank, and Woodbine.

Middle Schools: California, Fern Bacon, Rosa Parks, Sam Brannan, and Will C. Wood.

High Schools: American Choice, American Legion, Arthur A. Benjamin, C.K. McClatchy, Capitol City, Genesis, Hiram W. Johnson, John F. Kennedy, Luther Burbank, Rosemont, Sacramento New Technology, School of Engineer & Science, and Will C. Wood.

Minutes

Correction to February 11, 2008 minutes: David Ross did not second the minutes. Mali Currington motioned to approve the minutes. Motion carried by majority vote.

Old Business

No old business.

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Agenda Review

Agenda was edited to remove TUPE Review and Recommendation by Manpreet Kaur, Training Specialist.
Agenda approved by majority vote.

New Business

DAC Committee Reports: Wanda Yanez announced the launching of two (out of five) sub-committees that were approved and voted on in December 11, 2007: The first committee is the **Parent and Family Engagement Committee**. The Parent and Family Engagement Committee has as its first priority the responsibility to work on making recommendations on what to include in the District's Administrative Regulations (related to Title I, Section 1118 - Parent Engagement) that is designed to implement the Title I section in the recently approved District Parent Engagement Policy #6020. This committee is to start on this project March 23, 2008 and complete a written report with recommendations by October 2008. The selection of the chair for the sub-committee will be decided by the sub-committee. The following members were recruited for the Parent and Family Engagement Committee: Wanda Yanez, DAC secretary; Mali Currington, Isador Cohn; Michael Minnick, Phoebe Hearst; Virginia Rios Nunez, Peter Burnett, and Manuel Guillot, Director of Parent Support Services.

The second committee is the Bylaws and Elections Committee. We have elections coming and it is critical that this committee meet to decide the election process. It is the hope of this body that we have a well advertised election that gives all School Site Council and community Representatives to DAC the opportunity to declare their candidacy and campaign for the position. The following members were recruited for the Bylaws and Elections Committee: Kamilah Jones, DAC Parliamentarian and Annette Thompson, Pacific Elementary.

Title 1 for Parents Presentation: Manuel Guillot, Director of Parent Support Services presented a power point presentation on, "No Child Left Behind (NCLB): A Parent Guide." The report was issued by the U.S. Department of Education in 2003. This document was distributed at the meeting. NCLB puts focus on instruction and methods that have been proven to work. This guide summarizes the main provisions of the law, answers common questions, and provides information on where you can find additional resources.

The NCLB is built on four pillars: accountability for results, an emphasis on doing what works based on scientific research; expanded parental options; and expanded local control and flexibility. The NCLB also layouts the consequences if the achievement gap is not closed by 2014.

Visual and Performing Arts Policy: James Brown, Director of CHESSE, distributed and reviewed the proposed Board Policy for the Visual and Performing Arts Education. It was suggested under the *Arts and Music Block Grants*, 3rd paragraph be re-worded to read add the words "*art and music*" block grants to support art and music programs. Mr. Brown will take DAC's suggestion back to legal to have it fits as it is intended and implement the change in the policy language.

Role of DAC in Single Plan Review: Darlene Anderson, DAC Chairperson, spoke about the importance of not losing the gains made by the DAC this year and with Superintendent leaving it is going to be important that DAC has a role on the Blue Ribbon Committee search process of the new District Superintendent. DAC and District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) needs the District's support in the selection of the new Superintendent. DAC also wants to acknowledge the Superintendent for all of the support given to DAC. She worked are to partnership with parent teachers and district staff towards closing the achievement gap. DAC is also pursuing a role in the process of the district preparation for the Single Plan For Student Achievement and the role that parents plan in the planning process.

Announcements

Passport to Success is an annual parent/family festival designed to provide a one-stop shop for educational and health related tool and resource information for parents and families. It also offers families cultural entertainment, presentation of awards recognizing parents for their involvement in the education of their child and in their school, and an opportunity to celebrate school volunteer week. Date: Saturday, April 19, 2008, Time: 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Location: Serna Center 5735 47th Ave.

Link: http://www.scusd.edu/CHESS_Division/PassporttoSuccess.htm

Adjournment

Mali Currington (Isador Cohen) motioned to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried by majority vote and meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Next Meeting

Next DAC meeting is Tuesday, April 8, 2008 from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Serna Center. Come, learn and be empowered.