



CONEJO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Instructional Services, Office of Student Support Services

GATE-DAC MEETING MINUTES

DATE Friday, January 18, 2019: 9:08 a.m.-11:25 a.m.

Location: University Center

CVUSD GATE DAC Purpose: Communicate & Advise (Advocacy)

Quote: "The beginning is the most important part of the work." – Plato

ATTENDANCE: Shauna Ashmore, Stefanie Caswell, Subha Tholudur, Bijaya Eaton, Christine Wells, Colette Appel, Julia Blietz, Rachael Brusseau, Amy Chen, Rebecca Chin, Jennifer Clerico, Melissa Crawford, Violaine De Landes, Hun Kaplowitz, Julie Nagamoto, Hilary Wolcott.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m. by Chair Subha Tholudur.

II. OPENING CEREMONIES

- a. Introductions
- b. "Quote of the Day" – Stefanie Caswell

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Julie Nagamoto to adopt the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Julia Blietz. The vote was unanimous to adopt the agenda as presented.

IV. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was no unfinished business.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)

There were no public comments.

VI. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The December, 2018 minutes needed one correction regarding the date of the CAG conference. Julie Nagamoto moved and Julia Blietz seconded a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. The vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

VII. Speaker: Lou Lichtl LCAP

Mr. Lou Lichtl gave a presentation on the new Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP). There are four goals of the plan: 1) targeted action to support positive student outcomes (student focused), 2) professional learning – highly-qualified staff (internal focused), 3) community outreach and parent engagement (community focused), and 4) safe schools – support socio-emotional needs of students (school community focused). This last goal was added in response to feedback from DAC. There are four local indicators and four state indicators. The local indicators include 1) basic



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conditions of learning, 2) state standards, 3) parent engagement, and 4) school climate. The four state indicators include 1) student achievement, 2) student engagement, 3) course access (UC and CSU “a-g” requirements) and 4) other pupil outcomes. There was a discussion of possible ways to extend GATE curriculum into the middle and high schools.

VIII. REPORTS

a. Student Support Services Team

Third grade GATE testing is going on now. An effort is being made to do all of the test on the school sites, where students are familiar with the facility and the staff. Make-up tests will be done on site during the school day; the date will depend on the site.

This month’s Fun Friday will be held on Friday, February 1 and will be 3-D printing for third- through seventh-grade students.

Teen Tech Day is in the works.

Invention Convention is also in the works.

GATE certification is available through the Tri-County GATE Council. Stefanie will bring the information to CVUSD teachers.

CVUSD might purchase the game Werewolf.

All TOSAs are providing trainings for CVUSD teachers.

Shauna said that Jane Wagmeister offered a professional development course in Camarillo. Jane agreed to work on bringing a GATE-specific training at a CVUSD facility. Shauna is continuing to visit elementary schools to see how target time is being used.

She is also joining GATE events when she can.

Lisa, Shauna and Stefanie are preparing a GATE presentation for the school board meeting. It will be streamed live.

b. DAC

Outdoor school was rescheduled due to the fires.

Cash for Conejo School grants are still available.

The next district parent talk will be on February 7.

National Geographic talks are coming to the CVUSD high schools.

There are three maps under consideration for redrawing the borders for district school board members, and the public is encouraged to comment on them. The next board meeting will be on January 22 at 6 p.m.

The Thousand Oaks library is offering an SAT prep class. The library is also trying to step up its teen programs.

The open classroom TOSA is sending out information from the school counselor.

c. SEDAC

Rachel Brusseau gave the SEDAC report. Superintendent McLaughlin said that all schools will be able to accommodate everyone.

There is concern over the data shown on the dashboard, as they are now almost a year old.

d. School Site Reports

Lang Ranch had a teacher training.



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Redwood's bell schedule changed. The change was approved by 80% of the teachers. They have reduced lunch time to allow for a nutrition time earlier in the day. On Wednesdays and Thursdays time will be allotted for students to speak with an adult regarding their social and emotional needs. The students will be able to speak with the same adult for their entire tenure at the school.

The Edge program is supposed to help students get ready for the Center Program at Thousand Oaks High School.

Interschool game day was last week.

There may be a spout day at Redwood in February.

Christine Wells mentioned that a botany professor from Moorpark College was coming to speak to the GATE students at EARTHs today as part of the monthly lunch-bunch speaker series.

Seventh graders are being nominated to attend the Tri-County Gateway to Leadership Conference in Carpinteria.

e. Local / State Update

There will be a Tri-County GATE Council event in Carpinteria on February 8.

f. Support Organization Report (CAG, TCGC)

The CAG conference is in Palm Springs this year in February. CVUSD can cover the registration cost for two parents. Shauna and Stefanie will be attending.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

X. NEW BUSINESS

None.

XI. NEXT MEETING

February 8, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m. at Sequoia MPR

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Wells, Secretary