

Instructional Services, Office of Student Support Services

GATE-DAC MEETING MINUTES

DATE Friday, March 15, 2019: 9:05 a.m.-11:21 a.m.

Location: University Center MPR, 2801 Atlas Ave., Thousand Oaks, 91360

CVUSD GATE DAC Purpose: Communicate & Advise (Advocacy)

Quote: "Stay positive and happy. Work hard and don't give up hope. Be open to criticism and keep learning. Surround yourself with happy, warm and genuine people." – Tena Desae

ATTENDANCE: Shauna Ashmore, Stefanie Caswell, Subha Tholudur, Bijaya Eaton, Julia Blietz, Rachael Bruseau, Amy Chen, Jennifer Clerico, Melissa Crawford, Violaine De Landes, Christine Dexter, Gina Junkunc, Hun Kaplowitz, Bernard Kuai, Julie Nagamoto, Gisella Stanley, Teri Trudel, Stephanie Vollowitz, Hilary Wolcott.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 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 Teri Trudel to adopt the agenda with one change. The motion was seconded by Gisella Stanley. The vote was unanimous to adopt the agenda with one change.

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

There were no public comments.

V. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gisella Stanley moved and Julie Nagamoto seconded a motion to approve the minutes with two changes. The vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

VI. SPEAKER – Mr. Lichtel: LCAP Activity

Group was divided into breakout sessions to illicit input on how GATE program is being implemented at school sites (elementary, middle and high schools) based on the existing LCAP goals of supporting positive student outcomes.

Instructional Services, Office of Student Support Services**VII. REPORTS**

- a. Student Support Services Team
 - Shauna reported on attending (virtually) a 4-part Webinar series being conducted by UC Irvine and is covering a variety of GATE concepts.
 - Looking at data of GATE students and who they are.
 - Attended 7th Grade “Gateway to Leadership” event at CATE School in Carpinteria.
 - School sites are working on SPSA’s to address how GATE students are being served appropriately; recognizing and allocating funds to all student subgroups.
 - Stefanie reported on teacher training in February (“Out of the Box” comprehension)
 - GATE certification training
 - Team attended CAG conference and reported back (see more under “Reports”)
 - Identification is still ongoing (additional assessments are being scheduled)
 - Suggested to make Odyssey part of GATE parent meetings (at the beginning of the year)
 - Fun Fridays are still happening, including the first one for MS/HS students and the Spont Fun Friday in February that was a big success; next one is coming up on April 5
 - First tri-county GATE meeting was attended by Stefanie and Bijaya

- b. DAC
 - Cal Tech event on March 16 (10-4)
 - Invention Convention (for elementary only)
 - Dr. DeNoble Presentation at the District offices on March 21
 - CRPD/Teen Center events
 - Mr. Norwalt (from Colina MS) did a presentation on a new pathway at Colina.
 - Parent Talk on March 28th
 - April 6th – math event for Spanish speakers

- c. SEDAC
 - Transition Fair

- d. School Site Reports
 - Family STEAM night at Wildwood
 - Breakout Boxes (Wildwood)
 - Odyssey of the Mind Presentation (Wildwood)
 - Conejo/OCLM reported on CRPD’s “Recess Program”
 - Colina reported on Mr. Norwalt’s new program

- e. Local / State Update - None

Instructional Services, Office of Student Support Services

f. Support Organization Report (CAG, TCGC)

- Shauna reported on attending the CAG conference in Palm Springs this year February 22-24. Keynote address was delivered by Sally Reis and titled “Talent Denied & Talent Lost: Choices and Compromises of Talented Girls and Women”.
- Other notable speakers/presentations included Jenny Rinn (supporting GATE students even in small numbers/without a GATE program); and Sandra Kaplan & Jessica Manzone’s “Creating an Academic Identity” and “Gifted Students’ Voices in Differentiation”
- Stefanie reported back about a parent podcast on social/emotional need called “The Fringy Bit”

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Not discussed.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

None

X. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

NEXT MEETING

Friday, April 12, 2019 @ 9:00 a.m. at University Center MPR

Respectfully submitted,
Julia Blietz