



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

GATE-DAC MEETING MINUTES

DATE Friday, May 11, 2017: 9:10 a.m.-10:58 a.m.

Location: Horizon Hills

CVUSD GATE DAC Purpose: Communicate & Advise (Advocacy)

Quote: "To exist is to change, to change is to mature, to mature is to go on creating oneself endlessly." – Henri Bergson

ATTENDANCE: Dr. Juan Santos, Subha Tholudur, Bijaya Eaton, Christine Wells, Bernard Kuai, Hilary Bhinder, Rebecca Chin, Julie Nagamoto, Gisella Stanley, Li Yi, Bill Gorbeck, Amy Chen, Dale Dooley, Debbie Nieboldt, Sandee Everett, Alicia Andrae, Alysia Flamer, Stephanie Light, Shauna Ashmore.

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:09 a.m. by Chair Subha Tholudur.

II. OPENING CEREMONIES

- a. Introductions
- b. "Quote of the Day" – Dr. Santos

III. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

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

None

V. READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Gisella Stanley moved and Alysia Flamer seconded a motion to approve the minutes. The vote to approve the minutes was unanimous.

VI. REPORTS (see attached)

- a. Dr. Santos
Summer program: Leap Ahead in Math is an online program that provides 10 questions per week to students. It is available for grades 3 through 9 and costs \$15 (cash or check to CVUSD GATE). Four hundred students participated last year. Both grade-level and gifted grade-level material are available. This is an enrichment program and is provided by the same company as Noetic Math.
The department is moving again (to the other side of the building). Make-ups for GATE testing may not be offered in June because of the move. Approximately 50-60 students are interested in taking the make-up test.



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The district is open to purchasing things that are useful for GATE students and all students.

b. DAC

Alysia Flamer reported that lots is happening at the school board meetings. They have a new leader. Videos of the chorus performance are on YouTube. SE-DAC is starting up. The next DAC meeting will be on May 16 at Horizon Hills. There was an LCAP report and a fourth goal was added. They tried to be very specific when writing it. The GATE program will be expanding under the LCAP, including getting money for GATE. There is a possibility of having the DAC meetings televised. They received a technology grant that may pay for it. The meetings may also be streamed live over the web.

Shawna Ashmore reported that we might be able to use GATE funds to pay for the types of activities that support LCAP goals, noting that LCAP and ~~CIPSA-SIPSA~~ must be aligned.

c. GATE DAC Events Reports

Hilary reported that Fun Friday is next Friday, and she needs someone to step up and run it. Attendance at the event could be low. Subha agreed to run it, and she will try to have the virtual reality headsets and possibly that blue robots there as well. This event is for elementary school students and will be held from 4 to 5:30 p.m. at University Center.

Bijaya reported that the April science event was a big success. On the second day, middle school students taught the science concepts to elementary school students. Subha reported that on May 21, middle school students could attend an event in the CVUSD computer room to work with Microbits (up to 20 participants).

d. School Site Reports

Nancy reported on the marshmallow bridge event and the “three billy-goats rafts” challenge. Their PTA hosted a science night.

Christine reported on the solar star party that was held at EARTHs.

Hilary spoke about the Noetic Math competition.

e. Local / State Update

None

f. CAG Conference Report

None

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Communication:

Dale Dooley will not be returning to GATE-DAC.

b. “What do you want for your GATE student?”

None.

c. GATE-DAC elections: Only one person was nominated for each of the GATE-DAC executive committee positions. Each person was elected unanimously.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS



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GATE-DAC meetings will be held every second Friday of each month at 9 a.m. at University Center.

The first Friday of every month will be reserved for Fun Fridays for elementary school students. Hopefully soon the GATE TOSA position will be filled by the district.

Subha said that we need to continue what we have been doing and involve more parents.

Hilary suggested making a flier that could be distributed at back-to-school night.

Hilary also said that someone else will need to coordinate the speakers next year. She suggested creating a committee as a way to spread the work across several people.

IX. SPECIAL GUEST

X. NEXT MEETING

TBA

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Wells, Secretary