



Meeting Minutes

May 8th, 2024

2:45pm - Multipurpose Room

Call to order at 02:46

In Attendance:

- Richard Fields
- Carolyn Booser
- Tim Hagerty
- Jill Cowdrey
- Tie Gutierrez
- Terri Culpepper
- Katie Wilkes
- Anne Keenan

Public Comments:

- No Comments

Minutes from last meeting approved

PFA Report:

- Recap of past events - FFN was a success, \$883 away from goal
- Daughter Dance and Son bowling was a success
- Election of the new PFA Board occurred
- Legacy brick and spirit wear are for sale all year long
- Mrs McCallum and Mrs Wood are retiring this year
- AAF is coming up 5/17

DAC Report:

Board of Education

- Shoutout to Tammi Taggart for her GATEDAC presentation to the School Board.
- New core lit book being added for next year- The
- Call Us Enemy
- School uniforms will be used at Madrona on a trial basis.

Lana Clark from the Conejo School Fdn

- Stat of th eSchool event was a success
- Oct 5, 2024 - Save the Date for next year's Soiree that is 70s disco themed.



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- CSF provides prom attire, yearbooks and picnic costs for all culminating students in need.
- Conejo Closet is at Glenwood Elementary if you want to donate items
- CSF is looking to assist in CVUSD's Pride celebration.

TO Library

- Summer Reading programs are available and there are raffle prizes to be won for reading 8 books over the summer months. Gift cards, airpods and other items are prize options.

AADAC

- BSU at High school level are concerned about the curriculum. WHS is currently engaged in developing programs and starting a diversity day that has cross-cultural aspects and collaborations with other student groups.
- AADAC is also working on Black Excellence Awards aimed at graduating seniors. Goal is to pick two students from TOHS and two students from WHS

DELAC

- Last meeting did a review of the attendance policy
- There was a "Success in College" presentation
- NPHS has programs that assist incoming students who are coming from Mexico, Guatemala, etc. Reach out if your school site needs support or info.

LQBTQ+DAC

- Last meeting's discussion was on the Health program for 4-6th graders.
- CSF is helping our DAC run a "Proud to Be Me" program for Pride Month

SDAC

- Dress code discussion was covered

SEDAC

- Core lit discussion about representation was had
- LCAP presentation and breakouts
- Unified Fieldday was a success

DAC Chair- Leanne Holland

- May is AAPI Month
- May is also Jewish American Heritage Month and Mental Health Awareness Month. NAMI website is a great resource for mental health awareness info.
- June is Pride Month
- Colina is now a No Place For Hate program which is a program created by the ADF (Anti Defamation League).



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- Nothing Bundt Cakes has a summer reading program that awards readers with a mini bundt cake each month for reading 400 minutes.

Kenny Loo-Asst Superintendent

- All secondary schools in the district are moving towards becoming No Place for Hate schools sites.
- James Jenkins was hired to replace our DEI director and will begin in July.
- For parents/students who opt their kids out of state testing, this results in the lowest score for the school and also can affect your child's ability to have proper class placement in the future so it is not advised.

Discussion on LCAP with an emphasis on school attendance

Discussion on Dress Code

Presentations for Discussion can be

<https://www.conejousd.org/domain/1447>

SEDAC Report:

[SEDAC Meeting Slides with links embedded](#) - links include Principals and Mr. Kenny Loo's LCAP presentation and transition committee report. Also included, are next year's SEDAC meeting dates.

[Community Reports - SEDAC drive](#)

[Curriculum/Inclusion Report](#)

[LCAP Report](#)

[Dashboard by Site](#)

Please find attached as an image file the feedback SEDAC gave to Mr. Loo for the LCAP.

[Director Comments](#)

[Anne Alvarez Go Fund Me](#)

[CAC Survey](#)

[New SEDAC Board Members](#)

Chairperson: Denise Benic



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Vice Chairperson: Mandy Pollok
Secretary: Andrea Goetz
Parliamentarian: Lee Ann Holland
Members-at-Large: Martina Zeigenfuss
Stephanie Hornstrand
Rachel Christiansen
Trina Rodriguez
Cyndi Levenson
Karen Kyle

ELAC Report:

No report/representative

GATE Report:

Below are the takeaways from our May 3rd GATE-DAC meeting, which are two-fold. The following section is information just for you as the GATE-DAC rep.

- ❖ Stefanie Caswell conducted Universal Screening for all rising second grade students at each of our 18 elementary campuses. Initial results will be reviewed next week and follow-ups for students on the “cusp” of eligibility with 90% or higher in any category (verbal, quantitative, or nonverbal) will be scheduled with teachers through the end of the month. Like the initial screening measures, follow-up “post-screening” activities will also be conducted on campus with Stefanie during the school day between May 13th and May 31st. Final review of student scores will occur the first week of June, with letters and scores mailed to students/families the second week of June.
- Don't forget to visit the MAY SITE REPORT FOLDER to upload your school site's information AND to see what's happening on other campuses. It's a great way to get ideas for your own GATE program!
- And finally, thank you again to all of you amazing parent representatives and Executive Board members who have volunteered your time and energy to our GATE students this year. Your dedication is truly appreciated, and personally I am eternally grateful for all of the love and support you've shown me this year as your Chair. Have a wonderful rest of the school year!! The next section is information that should be shared at your School Site Council (SSC) meetings and with other school site families that have opted-in for GATE-DAC communication.
- Elections were held and below is the list of our new 2024-25 GATE DAC Executive Board members who will begin their roles in June:
 - CHAIR: Christine Wells
 - VICE-CHAIR: Rachael Brusseau
 - SECRETARY: Jill Cowdry
 - PARLIAMENTARIAN: Heather Nordahl
 - MEMBER-AT-LARGE: Melissa Kaplan



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- Jason Branham, Principal, gave a presentation on the programs, clubs, and enrichment opportunities at Westlake High School.
- Ms. Analise Griffith, Secondary SEL/UDL Teacher on Special Assignment (TOSA) for the CVUSD, gave a presentation titled “Empowering Potential: Understanding the Social-Emotional Needs of Gifted and Talented Students. The presentation slides can be found [HERE](#).
- Upcoming District GATE Activities in MAY:
 - Elementary GATE students that were on the waitlist for our April 25th Bloxels video game creation activity will receive an email with access and instructions to dabble in our "virtual Bloxels class" on a weekly rotating basis through the month of May.
 - Universal GATE screening: Follow-up screening measures for GATE student identification will be held on campuses during the school day from May 13th - 31st. Eligibility letters and scores will be mailed home to all participating students the second week in June.
 - This year’s Teen Tech Convention is scheduled for Thursday, May 30th from 12:00 - 3:00pm. 50 spaces will be available for sixth grade students from each of our five middle schools. An email was sent Friday, May 3rd, to all 6th grade GATE families with information about priority registration for GATE identified students. If you did not receive, please reach out to your school principal as soon as possible. Remaining spaces, if any, will be offered to all campus 6th graders on May 10th.
 - Don’t forget to check out this month’s Thousand Oaks Library newsletter, which is filled with wonderful upcoming events and resources!
 - Student Support Services has purchased Noetic Learning LeapAhead! licenses for GATE student participation this summer. LeapAhead! is for students entering 3rd – 9th grade in the fall interested in critical thinking and creative problem solving beyond the regular classroom curriculum. The program is aligned with the common core state standards and offers a “gifted math” option for 3rd -6th grade. The registration email will be delivered to 3rd - 8th grade GATE families on Friday, May 14th.
 - Looking for more ways to keep your kids engaged and stimulated this summer? Don’t forget to check out the GATE Enrichment/Extension Resources on our district webpage!
- Our first GATE DAC meeting for the 2024-25 school year is tentatively scheduled for September 13, 2024, pending district approval.
- Have a wonderful rest of the school year and a relaxing summer!

AACAP Report:

No report/representative



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LGBTQ+ Report:

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

- Election of new SSC members and selection of new members
 - Grace Benson will be taking over as DAC representative
 - Tim Hagerty motions to elect Grace as SSC member and DAC representative
 - Terri Culpepper seconds election for Grace as SSC member and DAC representative
- Chronic Absenteeism is our red category
 - WLE is one of the worst in the district

Meeting adjourned 3:41