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# LAS VIRGENES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT PATHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING

September 11, 2019

Present:

Linda Menges, Board President

Lesli Stein, Board Clerk

Dr. Dan Stepenosky, Superintendent

Dr. Rose Dunn, Assistant Superintendent, Education Dr. Clara Finneran, Assistant Superintendent, Education Ryan Gleason, Director of Education and Leadership Dr. Steph McClay, Principal, Agoura High School

Tina Johnson, District Librarian

Lauren Walsh, Language and Literacy Coach

Sara Exner, Assistant Principal Calabasas High School Marty Freel, Dean of Student Safety and Wellness Ashley Wenter, Credential Programs Coordinator Liberty Logan, Principal, Sumac L-STEM

CJ Foss, Principal, Calabasas High School

The meeting came to order at 1:00pm

## **Dual Immersion**

Ms. Logan updated the committee on the status of the Dual Immersion Program. Enrollment for the program at Sumac is strong, while there is room for growth on a multi-year trajectory. On the topic of marketing our dual immersion programs, Ms. Logan shared that there is room for growth in expanding our enrollment of Spanish native speakers. The Dual Language Taskforce will work on a plan for expanding outreach to native speakers. The middle school program continues to refine it's curriculum as they shift the Spanish Language Arts elective to focus on globalization and cultural competency (all taught in Spanish). The high school program is looking to incorporate an expansion of International Baccalaureate as a pathway for incoming 9th grade students. Additionally, the taskforce is preparing the high school Spanish teachers to assess incoming dual language students next year.

## **Summer School**

Ms. Wenter and Mr. Freel shared our Summer School overview and data. Enrollment was strong, and over 200 students completed credit recovery courses. Additionally approximately 250 students received dual credit through concurrent enrollment. The Low Performing Block Grant will continue to fund the Summer School Program for an additional year. The Pathways Committee recommended expanding the program to support middle school remediation in addition to high school for the summer of 2020. Data and updates on the structure of Summer School for 2020 will continue to be brought to the Pathways Committee throughout the year.

# Career Technical Education/Community College Classes and Dual Enrollment

Mr. Gleason shared that there are two grants: the Career Technical Education Incentive Grant and the Strong Workforce Program that are going to be released in the fall. It is expected that both grants could bring \$1,000,000+ awards, if received. The grants could supplant CTE faculty costs and relieve the general fund accordingly. A CTE Advisory Council will be developed to comply with grant requirements. The committee will consist of approximately 10-12 business partners. Pathways Board members will join the CTEAC to ensure coordination with our committee. The grant application will be available later this fall. Pathways will continue to be updated about grant development processes.

## **Early College Academy**

Ms. Exner, Ms. Baird, Ms. Foss, Dr. McClay, and Ms. Hazlett shared updates regarding the Early College Academy at our secondary schools. Enrollment numbers have seen a small drop in 9th grade. Middle school enrollment is in the mid-to-high 20's. Students in the middle school are still learning about the program, and have many elective options, thus it will take time to build the program to capacity. Principals reported strong instruction and a great deal of positive feedback from students and families regarding the program. The middle schools are working to develop field trips for the students as they develop as a cohort.

## **Other Business**

Dr. Jackii Duncan has been meeting with Principals to conduct 1:1 meetings and coaching relating to their CAASPP and other achievement data. Dr. Finneran and Dr. Duncan will be setting up meetings with the Board to prepare for the Data Study Session later this fall.

Dr. Finneran and Mr. Gleason have been working on School Violence Threat Assessment protocols with our counseling staff and Mr. Ryan Correia. They plan to roll out these tools later this fall in an effort to keep evolving and developing our safety practices and procedures.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 PM.