



SPECIAL EDUCATION COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

September 27, 2023

CAC Meeting Minutes

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Call to Order (Agenda Item A)

The September 27, 2023 regular meeting was called to order at 6:04pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Azadeh Turki, Lacey Martinez, Lisa Sotelo, Katherine Morash, Daniel Hicks, Kimber Rice, David Martasian, Ryan Digman

MEMBERS ABSENT: Veronica Guzman, Tina Cooper, Heather Taylor

Staff Liaisons present: Board Member President Zima Creason, Trent Allen, Dr. Debra Calvin, Vanessa Adolphson

Note Taker: Caitlin Wrockloff

Board Remarks (Agenda Item B)

Board President/CAC Liaison Zima Creason welcomed back the committee and participants. Ms. Creason shared to sign up for meeting agendas on new district website and reach out to board and staff to engage if there is no time
Board appointees, Re-election for committers happens in December.

Visitor Comments (Agenda Item C)

Parent of high school and middle school students within the district expressed concerns regarding access to tools for students as well as her student's struggle with math.

Organizational Meeting (Agenda Item D)

1. Review Committee Bylaws
Trent Allen reviewed committee bylaws that have been updated for this school year.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Katherine Morash asked how many members count toward quorum and commented on the trustee area and terms.

Kimber Rice commented on addition to bylaws and how the bylaws will allow the committee to have a strong discussion about the Local Plan and make changes.

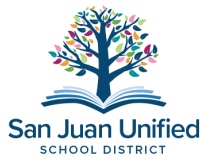
Lisa Sotelo gave appreciation for the bylaws and how they play a part in what the committee will contribute to the district.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Tom Nelson requested for CAC bylaws to be posted on CAC webpage for review.

2. Election of Officers: chair, vice chair, membership officer, engagement officer (A)

(A) = Action Item (D) = Discussion Item (R) = Report



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Ryan Digman- elected as Committee Chair
Katherine Morasch – elected Vice Chair
Membership Officer – Lisa Strelo – new position
Engagement Officer – Lacey Martinez – new position

3. Establish Annual Schedule of Regular Meetings (A)

Vanessa Adolphson, Director of Special Education proposed new dates for regular meetings.

Proposed dates:

Sept 27th: Introduction
October 26th: Local Plan Read and Review
Nov 15th: Local Plan Read and Review
Feb 28th: Local Plan Section A B and E
April 24th: Local Plan Section D
May 22nd: Local Plan final Read and Review

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Parent asked how long CAC meetings are - Committee answered meetings are typically 2 hours long.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Katherine Morash inquired about CAC applications and how many were submitted.

Kimber Rice asked who is drafting the agenda and how we can structure certain meetings around the Local Plan moving forward.

Committee proposed to change and add dates - November 15th and March 20th

4. Green Act Training (D)

Trent Allen, Chief of Staff, shared overview and objectives of the Greene Act.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Katherine Morash commented about tonight's agenda and bylaws and inquired about changes needing to be made to bylaws about submission of public comment.

Ryan Digman commented about accommodations for public comment who are in need of extra time.

Daniel Hicks was in need of clarification about discussion groups and how many members are needed to create a majority. Mr. Hicks also asked if it was a possibility to have sub-committees or small group meetings surrounding specific topics.



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Committee Business (Agenda Item E)

1. Approval of Minutes, May 2023
Ryan Digman requested approval of May 2023 minutes.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MEMBER COMMENTS:

Committee is requesting April 2023 minutes at the next meeting.

2. Subcommittees
Ryan Digman requested discussion of subcommittees

Reports – no sub-committees as of now. Nothing new to report.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (E)

None.

MEMBER COMMENTS (E)

Katherine Morash shared the importance of a sense of belonging within schools and having a sub-committee about sense of belonging. Katherine also stressed the importance of student voice and parent voice about belonging.

Dr. Debra Calvin shared information on Inclusion and belonging being a goal of the Equity committee. Dr. Calvin also noted that 2 of the goals of the LCAP are related to inclusion and belonging.

Ryan Digman asked how the plan is attached to inclusion and belonging and commented there be sub-committees about each section of the plan.

Katherine Morash asked if there should be a sub-committee to help with attendance.

Daniel Hicks asked about funding to help students and attendance.

Future Agenda (Agenda Item F)

Listening sessions from Thought Exchange last year and overview of data collected from Thought Exchange.
April minutes and approval.
Creating and finalizing sub-committees

Adjournment (Agenda Item G)

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm