



**Panama-Buena Vista Union School District  
Special Education Local Plan Area**

**Community Advisory Committee  
Regular Meeting Minutes**

December 13, 2024  
11:45 a.m.

District Office Board Room  
4250 Ashe Rd..  
Bakersfield, CA 93313



*The Panama-Buena Vista Union School District's mission is to partner with parents and community, committing to a high-achieving, balanced academic program for all students resulting in responsible 21st Century citizens.*

**1. Call to Order at 11:56 AM by Arian Garcia**

**2. Attendance and Roll Call**

- 2.1. Chair: Arian Garcia
- 2.2. General Members: Dian Schneider, Jennifer Payne, Jennifer Adebawale, Simran Brar, Gina Striegel, Andrew Pulido, Laura Hill, Denita Maughan
- 2.3. Guests: Leigh Anne Johnson, Tracy Compton, Melissa Wood, Katie Taylor, Brittany White, Danielle Bueno, Robin Ledford, Nancy Curran, Bela Smith, Kayla Marure, Annie McKell, Isabel Mata, Katie Gonzalez
- 2.4. Absent: Steve Walsh, Samantha Bone, Patrick Blake

**3. Public Comment - no public comments**

**4. Minutes**

- 4.1. Approval of Minutes from the October 11, 2024 Regular Meeting
  - 4.1.1. Motion to approve modified minutes made by Dian Schneider
  - 4.1.2. Motion seconded by Gina Striegel
  - 4.1.3. All members voted in favor of approving the October 11, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

**5. Reports from Staff**

- 5.1. Katie Taylor, Program Specialist for the Special Services Division, provided an overview of the Preschool Assessment Clinic.
  - 5.1.1. Katie Taylor and the additional PAC staff members answered questions presented by the committee members.

**6. Old Business**

- 6.1. Jenn Adebawale, SELPA Director, stated she will print the CAC Parent Handbook Updated Draft and send it to each member over the break.
- 6.2. Parent Education Nights are not being well attended. Jenn Adebawale will meet with the Community and Family Engagement Director to discuss the Power Hours they are currently hosting and the possibility of embedding the special education information into those sessions next year. CAC also discussed recording sessions and having a training library available to parents.

**7. New Business**

- 7.1. Katie Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent, Business Services reviewed the updated 2025/26 Local Plan, Section D - Annual Budget Plan

- 7.2. Jenn Adebawale, SELPA Director, presented the 2025/26 Local Plan, Section E - Annual Services Plan. Ms. Adebawale stated if there are any significant changes made before it is taken to the Board, it will be presented to the committee at the next meeting in February.
- 7.3. 2024/25 CAC Honors Awards Ceremony will take place on May 15th. Director Jenn Adebawale will post the nomination forms in February.

**8. Future Items Requests**

- 8.1. None

**9. Future Meetings** for the P-BVUSD CAC and School Board meetings, and the 2024/25 Parent Education Nights were provided to the CAC.

**10. The CAC meeting was adjourned at 1:33 PM by Arian Garcia**