



CHULA VISTA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
District Advisory Council (DAC)
District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)
Education Service and Support Center

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2021
VIRTUAL DAC/DELAC MEETING
12:00-2:00 P.M.

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

DAC Chairperson Matthew Baker welcomed everyone to the DAC/DELAC meeting and called the virtual meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

2. INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Interim Superintendent Oscar Esquivel welcomed everyone and thanked parents, students, and staff for their resiliency during this pandemic period. Mr. Esquivel updated that construction is ongoing for the Fahari L. Jeffers Elementary (School No. 47) and is on schedule to open July 2022; planning stages are underway for School No. 48, which is expected to open July 2023; the Districtwide Solar Power Project is halfway done and is expected to be 100 percent complete by June 2022; the First Interim Budget Report will be presented at the December 15 Board of Education meeting for approval; and the Governor is set to release his 2022-2023 budget on January 10, 2022. Mr. Esquivel wished all a safe and happy holiday.

3. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS' REPORT

Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources (HR) Jason Romero informed the District has employed more substitutes than ever before. Mr. Romero elaborated the District is still hiring and is not immune to the labor shortage that is happening county- and state-wide. Mr. Romero added the Site Substitute Program at school sites has one site sub assigned daily if under 500 students and two site subs if over 500 students. Mr. Romero shared the Superintendent Search Committee will next meet on November 30. HR is now in the application outreach process and applications for the Superintendent position officially closes on November 28.

Chris Vickers, Executive Director, Student, Family, Community, and Instruction Services and Support announced this year's Parent Academy will be held virtually and the theme is Positive Parenting in Today's Changing World. The event will be held on Saturday, December 4, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Mr. Vickers invited parents to please attend this informative event. Additional information can be found on the District's website or contact Angelica Maldonado, Parent Engagement Liaison, by email at angelica.maldonado@cvesd.org.

4. CHAIRPERSONS' REPORT

DAC Chairperson Matthew Baker announced dates for the Thanksgiving Break are November 22-26 with students returning on November 29.

DELAC Vice Chairperson Carmen Vega announced completing the reclassification window. It is a very special time and a great accomplishment for our students. Ms. Vega encourages our schools to celebrate and acknowledge our students who have been reclassified as fluent English proficient through ceremony, certificates, or virtual assembly.

5. QUORUM

Quorum was not established. In compliance of The Brown Act guidelines, Ms. Vega announced the November 16, 2021, DAC/DELAC meeting will now proceed as a Community Meeting and will only address Informational Items on the agenda. No action will be taken on Item 6, Approval of Agenda and Item 7, Approval of Minutes.

6. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Quorum was not established. No action was taken on this agenda item.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Quorum was not established. No action was taken on this agenda item.

8. DELAC NEEDS ASSESSMENT RESULTS

Lalaine Perez, Executive Director, Language Development and Instruction Services and Support shared on the results gathered from the DELAC Needs Assessment survey. This same information was also shared with the Board of Education at its October 15 meeting. Mrs. Perez encouraged principals to conduct this survey with their respective multilingual English learner parents/school community. DELAC representatives should also take the opportunity to meet with their respective principals to review the survey.

9. ENGLISH LEARNER PROGRAM AND SERVICES AND WRITTEN NOTIFICATIONS

Mrs. Perez provided an in-depth review of the District's Multilingual English Learner (MEL) Program Goals and Services. Mrs. Perez elaborated on the goals and objectives provided to MELs; federal (Title III) and state goals (LCAP – Local Control and Accountability Plan); the nine services provided to support MELs, which this year Supplemental Instructional Support was added and is a priority this year more than ever to support our MELs; English Learner identification and assessment; and a review on the Initial and Annual parent notification letters. Mrs. Perez invited feedback from DELAC representatives regarding the Initial and Annual parent notifications. Mrs. Perez announced the Board recently approved the purchase of a Benchmark Hello! Newcomer Program, which is a tool to support newly arrived students to our country and school system, focusing on creating a welcoming environment, attending to their social-emotional needs, while providing a fundamental ELD-related experience.

10. DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS

Marc Keehmer, Visual and Performing Arts (VAPA) Coordinator, shared on an opportunity for our students to participate in a VAPA mural painting project. All the materials for the painting project will be provided. If interested, please contact Marc Keehmer by email at marc.keehmer@cvesd.org or by phone at (619) 425-9600, Ext. 1316.

Angelica Maldonado shared information on the virtual Parent Academy and how to register for the event set for Saturday, December 4, 2021, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. An email is required to register for the event. For more information, contact Angelica Maldonado at angelica.maldonado@cvesd.org or by phone at (619) 425-9600, Ext. 1465.

11. PUBLIC/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Melody Rodriguez, Vista Square parent, commented November is a month of gratitude and expressed special thanks to Vista Square past associate principals and to principal Marissa Allan. Ms. Rodriguez said she is thankful for all the effort and work that everyone has done helping parents with this learning experience and with virtual trainings and that the work does not go unnoticed. Ms. Rodriguez wished all a happy Thanksgiving.

Jaqueline Gonzalez, Vista Square parent, congratulated Mrs. Vega on leading today's meeting. Ms. Gonzalez expressed heartfelt thanks to Marissa Allan and wished her well in her new journey.

12. ADJOURNMENT

DELAC Vice Chairperson Carmen Vega thanked everyone for attending, wished all a joyful Thanksgiving, and adjourned the meeting at 12:53 p.m.

Matthew Baker

DAC Chairperson

Pedro A. Carrillo

DELAC Chairperson

Claire De Soto

Recording Secretary