

Special Education District Advisory Committee Meeting
Santa Monica – Malibu Unified School District

Minutes for distribution

Tuesday, February 4, 2020 6:30 to 8:30 PM
DISTRICT OFFICE – BOARD ROOM (2ND Floor)

I. CALL TO ORDER & INITIAL COMMENTS: 6:43 pm

Attendees: Jon Keane, Jamie Angus, Barry Yates, Deanna Sinfield, Gina Hope, Jen Glazer, Payal Maniar, Meredith Feldman, Sarah Thomas. Grace Lanzetta attends as member of the public

- ESY is at Grant Elementary, Intensive Intervention Summer School TBD location
Collaborative class: determined by the district office for gen ed students all assessments below grade level, catch up style program with gen ed/ special ed. ESY is to maintain skills not to build, for kids who are going to fall behind

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS: Members & Public:

- Grant special Ed summer camp Fair was at 2/3/20: list of vendors to follow (21 vendors)

III. UPDATE: Special Education Director, Deanna Sinfield

- 3/2 Denna hosting a meeting for parents to give input about what they would like to see for next year programming. Programs that are doing well but not hitting kids that need it, what can we do for programing to reach more kids long term?
- English Language Learners: how to identify if a student needs special ed or just more English language development; LPAC test yearly: gen ed + special ed to make sure accommodations are being met so kids have the opportunity to reclassify, Vcalps administered by special Ed teacher. Both are state and federally mandated
- Deanna is presenting to the Board in March
- SEDAC Co-chairs Deanna Sinfield and Payal Maniar are on Superintendent's budget cuts committee

IV. UPDATE: BOARD LIAISON Jon Kean

- SAMOHI event last week: last beam of steel on the discovery building, will be in it for Fall 2021 academic year; flex space, humanities classes, lower level tbc, parking
- Mural on Lincoln/ Ocean Park: how public art can serve a bigger role in the community
- Superintendent budget committee starting 2/5/20: teachers union: table agreement the unit members have to approve it
- SEDAC members inquired about subsidized housing for SMMUSD teachers. SMMUSD has 1400 staff members: if we get 100 units that would help.
- Dr. Drati budget cuts committee: examine the function of what we have to find better ways to provide services

- Some cuts made TY for 2021 school year that don't need the committee: some through attrition, some through operating inefficiencies (overstaff or duplication of jobs)
- 3/15: pink slips notice: notice that your job MAY be cut- not definite, based on seniority; last in first out
- Committee will work on '21-'22 school years; every department has to be reviewed: leases, buildings, staff, programming etc...
- Student pop +5%, staff +9%, declining enrollment
- Superintendent will make recommendations, school board will vote on it
- Anything written into your IEP has to happen, it's a federal law, but there are lots of ways to implement

V. DISCUSSION: 2019-20 Charges: presented last month; will be following up monthly through June

- a. Charge 1: Parent Portal
 - Timing on website: March- April: just have to tell the person what we want on it
 - Deanna to review with a couple of SEDAC members the layout of the new site
 - SEDAC docs need to be scanned and uploaded; need to revisit once Deanna is ready
- b. Charge 2: Transition Plan
 - Deanna to review: some SEDAC recs are parallel to what teachers are asking for, some of the ideas are on point with suggestions
 - Read out in April to see where we need to fill holes
 - "SAMOHI experience": programming piece is still not available: Deanna meeting with transition teachers next week, looking at some of our programs and repurposing: taking what we have and utilizing it better
 - Need notes from Jaimie about the specific ask so it is documented in the transition: specific pull out for special Ed in the SAMOHI experience: that is the only info you get on special ed. What does the special ed programming look like from the presentation from 1/27/20? Hard to know what is happening in practice, Deanna to get a copy of the presentation
- c. New Charges for 2019-20 School Year: communications calendar; information architecture
 - Structure of parent portal: how you organize the content on the site will determine what assets get used, Need for Use cases, Deanna needs on the site: special Ed 101, Child Find, etc..

VI. DISCUSSION: OTHER OPEN ITEMS:

- a. April SEDAC meeting date moved to March 31 due to spring break. Review Deanna's presentation to the board at the next meeting.
- b. District-wide Parent Events: Spring event is 3/2 Deanna meeting for input on programming, Fall planning event for agenda for EOM March meeting
- c. Sue Samarge-Powell to present to SEDAC, next month Frida Rossi and Deanna presenting to SEDAC

- d. SEDAC open positions: don't have a HS member, need new elementary: Deanna to communicate opening through Friday bulletin, SEDAC members send out to schools, Send to Franklin Special Ed PTA
- e. PRN update: need another meeting
- f. Spec ed email list: the is button gone off the website- add to the website update
- g. in December we talked about getting advanced placement for ESY so parents know who their teachers will be ahead of time- earlier organization so parents and teachers can plan- now is the time to bring this up: working on it, ESY staff not done, review at May meeting, can ESY sign up be digital for this year or next?

VII. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

VIII. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Payal Maniar Moves to approve Nov '19, Dec '19 and Jan '20 minutes 2nd Gina Hope

Adjourn 8:15 PM

The SEDAC meetings for the school year 2019- 2020 are scheduled for the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Office Board Room. Upcoming Meeting: 3/3/20, 3/31/20

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