Minutes for ELAC* Meeting

29 January 2024 at 6:30 p.m. in D100

*ELAC is a committee of parents, guardians, staff, and community members designated to advise the school officials on the services of the English Language Development (ELD) program. Parents and Guardians can meet with teachers and staff and participate in the education of their children.

Agenda

I. Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 6:43 pm by Vice-President Claudia Selvas. In attendance were Claudia Selvas, secretary Adrienne Karyadi, Johanna de la Rosa, DELAC alternate Carla Nunez, and Tristan Komlos.

II. **Approval of Minutes**

There were not enough members present to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The group discussed approval of minutes by vote via email.

III. **DELAC** report

Carla Nunez discussed the issues brought up at the DELAC meeting. A review of the reclassification process was presented to the committee members, with questions and answers about the reclassification process and rates (broken down by school site). DELAC reported that of 75 eligible candidates, only 61 were reclassified. There was no discussion of why 14 candidates were not reclassified, but all 10 of Samohi's candidates were reclassified during cycle 1 in Fall 2023.

Questions: DELAC members asked what happens if a senior does not reclassify. Students can ask for support at colleges if this happens. DELAC also wanted to know how long reclassified students are followed up on. The district does a bi-annual check using Ellevation on EL students, and follows up on RFEP students at least 1 time a year. DELAC plans to cover how Special Education supports and programs help EL students at a later meeting. DELAC also reviewed the purpose, eligibility and timelines for students to gain the seal of biliteracy.

Samohi's DELAC reps shared information about a *flex-time celebration* for new RFEP students in Room D104. Seniors and juniors with a score of 4 on the summative ELPAC last year were invited and got tips on how to score better on the STAR Reading exam.

Samohi's DELAC also reported on Samohi's new group, "What's up Samo Fams?" 20 parents came to the first meeting, held in Room L201 with coffee, bagels, and lots of energy. (The meeting was described as "Hot Chocolate Wednesdays for parents and familes.") The topic of discussion for this drop-in informal meeting was the FAFSA form. Parents shared photos with each other. The next meeting is February 28th at 9 am. Because the meeting is informal, there is no agenda.

The next DELAC meeting is on February 5th.

IV. Adult Education Opportunities

The Career Technical Education program is offering new opportunities for both students and families. An example is the "Introduction to Building and Construction Trades with Apprenticeship Readiness" course offered by SMMUSD. The flyer (in English and Spanish) will be shared with Economics teachers by Adrienne Karyadi this week. The 3-month program concludes with an opportunity to be certified and eligible for apprenticeships. ELAC urged parent groups to disseminate the information widely. *Attached is a flyer with more information.*

V. ELAC Discussion/Recommendations

The Parent Project, a parent drop-in support group will meet in February for the first time at Samohi. The group will focus on creating community and providing resources for students and families. Sessions will be offered in English and Spanish at the Obama campus on Monday nights from 6 pm to 9 pm. **Attached is a flyer with more information.**

VI. Other Business

- **A.** Vacant Bilingual Instructional Assistant Positions.

 A parent interested in the vacant position joined EdJoin to see if job posted. Job not posted. No aide at JAMS either.
- **B.** Testing Schedule for Spring
- C. WASC

VI. Other business

1. School Improvement Plan

2. SAMOHI EL Student Advisory Committee

Adrienne Karyadi presented a recommendation from the student ELAC Advisory Club meeting, held on November 9th during Flex Time. *A copy of this Recommendation form is attached to the minutes.*

3. **WASC**

VII. Announcements

VIII. Process Check/Closure

Feifei Dai made a motion to adjourn the meeting. **Laura Hernandez** seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Future meetings (Mondays at 6:30 in D100):

Parent feedback to WASC committee: February 12

- March 18
- May 20

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