

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT Office of Student, Family and Community Engagement

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Wednesday, December 4, 2024,
10:00 a.m.
Minutes

I. Call to Order

Ingrid Levy, Chairperson, was called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and reviewed Interpretation service available. Kristie Lacy, Vice-Chairperson, reviewed the meeting norms and norms of collaboration.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The salute to the flag was led by Joseph Lee in English and Anna Carrion in Spanish.

III. Public Comments

Shanita Rogers, Parliamentarian, lead public comment.

1) Araceli Cabrera

IV. President's Report Ingrid Levy, Chairperson

Region Ambassador Special Education Training: The topic was "Using First Then Positive Behavior Strategies at Home" presented by the Behavior support specialist for that region. She informed that LAUSD has Behavior Support Specialist available to support schools throughout LAUSD. She heard a lot of questions about inclusion at the elementary schools and that communication needs to improve among staff and families. CAC should outline some strategies that should be put into place to improve communication. The reason LAUSD is moving forward with more inclusion is because the State has an inclusion goal of 80% of the day by 2026.

She is meeting monthly with Dr. Soto to provide feedback on what CAC is doing and requested a training for CAC on inclusion for all members soon. She hopes all will attend.

<u>Bylaws Update:</u> There was a Bylaws meeting to review the updates/changes, Dr. Soto and SFACE were present, and that a vote will be taken in January. This will provide all members the opportunity to review the Bylaws in English and Spanish.

Mentor Program: She asked members if they wanted a mentor to let her know via email.

V. Division of Special Education (DSE) update.

Mrs. Lilia Moran, Compliance Coordinator, Division of Special Education provided information on the <u>Inclusive Schools week</u> (December 2-6) that offered a wide range of opportunities for participation K-12, including a \$1,000.00 grant. She also provided information regarding the Fall 2024 Adapted Physical Education Program to strengthen the inclusion movement in December and 24 schools have joined and committed to following the goals. More information is available on the SPED website at https://www.lausd.org/sped

LAUSD is celebrating Adaptive Physical Education Programs. There are 24 schools participating.

<u>Listening Campaign:</u> The campaign closed on Friday, November 29, 2024, she thanked those who participated and filled out the survey. She also informed them the campaign was moving into the second phase and they will provide more information the future.

<u>IEP and Students with Disabilities Currently Enrolled Data:</u> She informed members that from July 1, 2024 – November 15, 2024, LAUSD has successfully conducted 33,289 IEP team meetings and LAUSD is currently serving 74,052 students with disabilities.

<u>Parent and Community Engagement Opportunities:</u> The Division Transition Services (DOTS) is offering a variety of training to support our students after high school. The calendar, subject to change, as more events are added, was dropped in the chat and members were asked to contact their transitions teacher for more information. All families are welcomed.

<u>Winter Academy Reminder:</u> Winter Academy Sessions will take place December 16-19, 2024. There was a period of questions and answers.

VI. Roll call/establish quorum.

Gloria Acosta, Sr. Parent Community Facilitator, called roll and a quorum was established with 16 members and 3 alternates for a total of 19 members at 10:40 a.m.

VII. Approval of the minutes: Wednesday, October 16, 2024

Ingrid Levy, Chairperson asked members to make a motion to approve the minutes, November 20, 2024, Ms. Anna Carrion moved that the minutes for November 20, 2024, meeting be approved with any additions, deletions and or correction and Ms. Carolyn Pakes seconded the motion. Mrs. Acosta led the roll call vote19 members voted Yes, 0 members voted No and 0 abstented. The motion passed.

VIII. Transition After High School

Jaclyen Tolj, Coordinator for transitional services stated that they provide services for students from the age of 14 till they leave LAUSD. She introduced her team: Arron Jeffrey, Specialist supports Region West/ West side of North-Line Ocora, Specialist support formal Region North and the East side of the North- Joseph Lee, Specialist supports former South and East Regions. Provided an overview of transition services for students with disabilities including transition activities, collaboration, assessment, and employment preparation. She also included postsecondary options available to students with disabilities after high school. They shared resources and links to deferent informational documents. Mrs. Claudia Valladares presented the link between Topic alignment to the Local Plan and information regarding college awareness and options that are available including, career planning, course prerequisites, admission eligibility, and financial aid. She reminded parents that transition services also include a provision for self-advocacy, career planning, and career guidance. She emphasized the need for coordination between the Perkins Act to ensure that student with disabilities in middle schools will be able to access vocation education funds. All schools have a transition services teacher. They will continue to connect the SELPA Local Plan to all presentation. There was a period of questions and answers.

IX. Subcommittee Updates

- African American Student with IEP=None
- IEP/Training and Education=None
- Parent Ambassador=None
- Bylaws Ad Hoc=None

X. Office of Student, Family and Community Engagement

Diane Panossian, Director, Officer Office of Student, Family and Community Engagement, thanked all the members and wished them well during the holiday session. She reviewed the written report that was provided via email to all members and highlighted the LAUSD 2025: We Are One campaign to support our families with resilience and resources for families and the Winter Academy. She provided dates and times of the LAUSD Title I Parent and Family Engagement Policy Feedback Sessions that will take place during the month of December 2024. There was a period of questions and answers.

XI. New Business for possible action for future meetings:

Kristie Lacy, Vice Chairperson requested and update regarding EL Reclassification for student with and IEP. Nancy Hernandez encourages members to visit the CAC Facebook page.

XII. Announcements

Nancy Hernandez, Public Relation

XIII. Adjournment

Ingrid Levy, Chairperson encouraged members to read the CAC Bylaws to be ready for the January 2025 meeting. She was thankful to all members and Staff for all their support. Mr. Joseph Lee email is <u>JDL0325@lausd.net</u>. The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 am. Happy Holidays everyone.