

**District Advisory Council for Compensatory Education (DAC)
General Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2004**

Attendance of School Representatives:

Executive Board Members: Chair: Page; Executive Members: Balangon, Green, Mitchell, O'Connell, and Scott;

Elementary Compensatory Schools: Clay/Bellart, Cubberley/Page, Franklin/Engle, Fulton/Kennedy and Long, Hawthorne/Page, Jones/O'Connell, Lindbergh/Schweitzer/Scott, Marshall Elem/Keaffaber, McKinley/Rose-Weber, Perry/Rosevear, Sequoia/Stratton, Spreckels/McConnell, Valencia Park/Temple, Webster/Harris, Wegeforth/Drury;

Middle Level Compensatory Schools: Roosevelt/Mitchell, Wangenheim/O'Connell;

Senior High Compensatory Schools: Mission Bay/Botich, Morse/Green;

Atypical Compensatory Schools: Gompers/Balangon;

District Staff: Andrea, Bachofer, Brewer, Diaz, Dusharme, Hightower, Moore, Navalles, Quezada, and Vela;

Members of the Public: Baez, de Meules, da Rosa.

David Page (Page), DAC Chairperson, called meeting to order at 6:36 p.m.

Chairperson's Report

- Approval of the Minutes: Minutes for the May 19, 2004, meeting were reviewed. Moved to approve the minutes as written (Morse). Motion passed.
- State Board of Education: Page stated that he would be going to the July 7-8, 2004, meeting of the State Board of Education. At the September meeting he will provide a report on the topics covered and any actions taken by the State Board.
- California Association for Compensatory Education (CACE) Report: CACE is starting up a group to represent Region 6, which includes San Diego. State CACE officials are willing to assist in the establishing of a group chair and a membership chair. CACE can provide in-depth training for School Site Council (SSC) chairs, SSC members, and DAC representatives. He asked that anyone interested in being a member of CACE sign up on a sheet that was circulated.
- Attendance Awards and Special Recognition: Page presented Attendance Awards to ten school representatives for perfect attendance at meetings from November 2003 through May 2004. He also presented the Executive Board Certificates of Appreciation for their service during the 2003-2004 school year. The District Advisory Council thanked Maria Moore for her hospitality during the year and for providing the meeting location. David Page was recognized for his service during the year as chairperson.

Executive Board Report

- Executive Board Meeting Special Report: Page met with Scott Patterson (Patterson), Chief Financial Officer, to discuss Title I funds being used for the Supplemental Early Retirement Program (SERP) offered in 2003-04. Page questioned whether Title I funds could be used for this purpose. Page stated that Patterson was unable to provide documentation from the State that shows that this type of expense is allowable. Page stated that he would continue researching this issue. Page stated that in June 2003, \$10-11 million of restricted funds (non-Title I) were rolled into the general budget. This process will also be used for the 2004-05

budget but for a lesser amount. Page expressed concerns that due to the hiring freeze schools were unable to fill positions, including positions funded by restricted funds. Page stated that this indirectly denied services to students.

- Recording System: Frank Engle, Executive Member/Representative from Franklin, expressed concerns over the fact that the DAC meetings were not being recorded. District staff explained that the recording equipment used in the past was borrowed from another department and that it was no longer operable. Engle agreed to investigate the cost of a recording system. Moved to investigate the cost of systems appropriate for DAC use (Morse), seconded (Fulton). Motion passed.

District Report/Training/Collaboration

- Consolidated Application Part I, Title I Ranking Report, and Budget Information. Art Palkowitz, Manager, Resource Development, provided a copy of the Title I Ranking Report, which was approved by the Board of Education on June 8, 2004. He explained that the report had been delayed after Frank Engle, Representative from Franklin, discovered an error in the draft that was provided to the DAC. The revised report gave an additional \$3 million to schools, with no changes to the per pupil amount. Palkowitz also provided a handout that outlined where the funds are distributed.
- Table Talk About Centralized Budgets: Page stated that a consultant would be providing training in the fall to principals on “site-based decision making.” Page stated that authority is being given to principals to outsource all services at the site. Page anticipated that by September 2004 the principals would all be trained and the Board of Education will have approved the budget. Page pointed out that the “decentralization of services” was an issue related to non-categorical budgets. Page asked for table talk discussions surrounding suggestions that the DAC could make to the Board of Education related to budget.
- Ballard Parent Center Update: Maria Moore-Flagg, Supervising Administrative Assistant, Parent and Community Involvement Department gave an overview of the program since August 9, 2003, when the program moved to the Fremont location. Moore-Flagg stated that the Ballard Center was being considered for relocation over the summer.
- Communication Topic Card: There was no Topic Card for June.

Public Comment

- Richard Scott, Vice Chair/Representative from Lindbergh/Schweitzer, stated that he would be working on the new member orientation materials. He asked that anyone interested in helping or with input, contact him.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Margie Vela.