

**District Advisory Council for Compensatory Education (DAC)
General Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2006**

Attendance of School Representatives:

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

Elementary Compensatory Schools: Anderson/Alcott, Griffin/Angier, Duncan/Bayview Terrace, McCrory/Doyle, Smith/Ericson, Whitsett/Foster, Engle/Franklin, Long/Fulton, Hernandez/Hamilton, Cowen/Horton, Jubala/Lafayette, Sanchez/Lindberg-Schweitzer, Rosevear/Perry, Sevel/Toler, Vander Schuit/Vista Grande;

Middle Level Compensatory Schools: Hammons/Montgomery, O'Connell-Page/Taft, O'Connell/Wangenheim, Moreno/Wilson;

Senior High Compensatory Schools: Garcia/Crawford MVAS, Savage/Kearny SCT, Grigsby/Mission Bay, Green/Morse, Mitchell/San Diego Science Tech;

Atypical Compensatory Schools: Price/Garfield, Balangon/Gompers, Newton/San Diego SCPA;

Non-Title I Schools: Gonzales/Hickman, Gonzales/Kumeyaay, McCrory/Standley;

Charter Schools: Bozin/O'Farrell;

District Staff: Andrea, Bachofer, Beldock, Campbell, Diaz, Dusharme, Erdmann, Foster, Harper, Hightower, Johnson, Martinez, Palkowitz, Reed, Rode, Shannon, Tiffany, Zickert;

Members of the Public: Contreras, Corona, Cotterell, Davis, Epperson, Dollone, Garcia, Gilliam, Guillory, Haney, Hammond-Williams, Izu, C. Johnson, K. Johnson, K. Johnson, M. Johnson, Maffioli, Marin, Marx, Miller, Morales, O'Connell, Peacock, Piaso, Quinontes, Riehl, Rios, Robinson, L. Royster, N. Royster, Sherard, Spathas, Torres, Vattuone, P. Williams, T. Williams, Wilson.

1. **Call to Order** David Page, DAC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

2. **Chairperson's Report**

- **Approval of the Minutes:** Minutes of the September 20, 2006, meeting were reviewed. Approval of the minutes moved by (Montgomery), quorum was met and passed.
- **State and Local Board of Education Meeting:** None.

Page stated the Consolidated Application (Con App) Part I, 2006-07 was sent to the Board of Education last week and was approved. The Con App has now been sent to the California Department of Education (CDE) with signatures to acknowledge that the DAC had been consulted as required, and that a separate comment from the DAC regarding the SERP and LEA Plan was attached.

- **LEA Plan Discussion:** DAC Representatives were provided the first 24 pages of the LEA Plan that included Performance Goal 1: *All students will reach high standards, at a minimum, attaining proficiency or better in reading and mathematics by 2013-2014.* Representatives received a survey and were asked to review the document and take it to their SSC to compare activities described in the LEA Plan to activities implemented at school sites. Page explained that the district's current LEA Plan should be more accurately aligned with the activities currently implemented at the sites. Members should be prepared for discussion at the November 15, 2006, meeting. Questions were taken from the general body.
- **Survey for District Finance Training:** Page surveyed the general body regarding a separate training, outside of the regular DAC meetings, to discuss district finance issues. Page would coordinate speakers from several areas to give a brief overview of the budget and how the budget process works. The workshop would address the following:
 - How does the district come up with a budget?
 - Where does the money come from, and where does it go?
 - What does the time line look like for the district?
 - What kinds of budgets are there?

Those interested in attending a weekend workshop were asked to sign up. If enough interest is shown, Page will coordinate the event and provide more details at a future meeting.

3. Executive Board Report

- **District Title I Parent Involvement Policy Review:** Page addressed the Summary Report distributed at the September 20, 2006, meeting for review by the general body. Representatives were requested to share the document with their SSCs. No suggestions or modifications to the Report were made by the general body. A motion to accept the Summary Report as it was presented (Franklin), seconded (Morse), and approved.
- **DAC Election Committee Formation:** Volunteers from the general body were requested to form an Election Committee. Nominations will be taken at the November 15, 2006, meeting. Page appointed Marla O'Connell, DAC Executive Member, to chair the Election Committee. Four volunteers were selected from the general body to assist O'Connell with the election review process of nominees: Helen Green, DAC Executive Member, Nico Duncan, Bayview Terrace, Bill Hammons, Montgomery Middle, Christina Robinson, Marston Middle.

Information regarding elections can be found in the DAC Bylaws. Open positions are DAC Chair, First Vice-Chair (must have served as DAC representative for a minimum of two years), and Second Vice-Chair (must have served as DAC representative for a minimum of one year). Candidates for these positions may not be district employees. Representatives must submit a biography by the November meeting in order to be considered as a candidate.

4. District Reports/Training/Collaboration

- **Volunteer Coordinator Information:** Ellen Tiffany, Manager, Community Relations Department, Partnerships in Education, Volunteer Program, Service Learning Department, gave a brief overview of the services provided. A Volunteer Handbook, the School Volunteer Application, Volunteer Program Fact Sheet, and Community Relations Department 2006-07 Overview were provided. Tiffany took questions from the audience.
- **Discretionary Block Grant Information:** Debbie Foster, Budget Supervisor, presented information about the state Discretionary Block Grant. Schools have received a 90 percent allocation, which can be carried over into the next fiscal year. Use of the funds must be aligned with the goals of the site's 2006-07 Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). Guidelines for expenditures include:
 - Classroom Instruction
 - Classroom Lab
 - Technology (in order to close the achievement gap)
 - Instructional Materials
 - Library and school supplies
 - Maintenance
 - Professional Development

SSCs must develop the plan and approve the use of these funds. Plans will go to the Board of Education for approval before the money can be expended. Foster took questions from the general body.

- **SSC Information and Updates:** Terri Reed, Program Manager, Planning and Accountability, provided handouts, including Administrative Circulars No. 20, 22, and 25, and gave a brief update of SSC information. Reed directed the general body to important SSC timelines and information regarding the Single Plan for Student Achievement (SPSA). Questions were taken from the general body. Perfect attendance for DAC representatives begins with the November 15, 2006, meeting and continues through the May 16, 2007, meeting. DAC Representatives were reminded that if their school's correctly-configured SSC roster was not submitted by the November 3, 2006, due date and approved prior to the November DAC meeting, they would not have voting rights at the November meeting and their perfect attendance status would be jeopardized.
- **Ballard Parent Center:** Elneda Shannon, Supervising Administrative Assistant, Ballard Parent Center, provided handouts and updates of the classes available to parents and staff. For additional information about any of these programs, please contact the Ballard Parent Center at 619-293-4431.

5. Public Comment: None.

Raffle drawing winners: Fulton, Hamilton, and McKinley.