

Covina-Valley Unified School District

District Advisory Council (DAC)
District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)
Thursday, April 22, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.
Virtual Meeting (Google Meet)

Minutes

Present

DAC/DELAC - Rosana Bravo, Manzanita; Yvonne Solis, Cypress/Workman/Traweek; Luz Banuelos, Sierra Vista; Felicia Gomez-Verdin, Covina High; Tania Vazquez, Northview High.

Guests – Natalia Pomares, District Translator.

Others - Karen Huff, Instructional Coach (TOSA); Julie Harrison, Director of Curriculum & Instruction; Helen Carrillo, Secretary I.

Welcome, Announcements, and Introductions

Karen Huff welcomed the committee members and guests and thanked them for attending today's virtual meeting. Karen then asked those in attendance to introduce themselves and the school site they represent.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the February 11, 2021 DAC/DELAC meeting were presented in English and Spanish for review. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Felicia Gomez-Verdin, Covina High and seconded by Yvonne Solis, Cypress/Workman/Traweek; motion was approved unanimously.

Title III Update

Title III funds are given to us in a grant by the federal government to support English Learners. Covina-Valley spends the majority of these funds on Karen Huff. Karen Huff goes above and beyond in the EL Program. She provides professional development, is a great resource to parents of families of English Learners and is a huge support to all English Learner students.

Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCAP)

Julie Harrison gave an update on the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan. The LCAP Advisory Committee has been reviewing and finalizing the LCAP Goals. A survey has been sent out to parents and high school aged students for input. Your feedback on the survey will help shape our LCAP goals. A survey will be sent out to all juniors this week to get feedback on their career plan. At this time, the LCAP is in the feedback phase, the district is working hard in obtaining as much input as possible. The LCAP consists of the following three Goals.

- GOAL 1: Guarantee all students are eligible and ready for college and career upon graduation - it involves our Counseling Services, CTE, Increased Course Offerings, A-G, AVID, SAT/ PSAT, AP/IB and Intervention, PIQE and Parent Academics.

- GOAL 2: Implement innovative, research-based programs and practices to ensure the highest level of achievement for all students - it includes our ELD TOSA and Support Team, Dual Immersion, Science Transition and Coding, UDL (Universal Design for Learning), 1:1 Technology/Device & Professional Development, TK, ALEKS, iREADY, Rosetta Stone
- GOAL 3: Create a school-wide program of engagement that fosters innovative, positive environment within and outside of the classroom to connect students to school and learning - it makes sure we have programs in Mental Health, CTE Pathways and STEM Expansion, World Languages, Renaissance, WEB, Extracurricular and Co-curricular, Saturday School, Homework Help and Tutoring

In 2020, our ELPAC testing was shut down due to the pandemic and even though we did not complete the testing C-VUSD was still able to reclassify 21.9% of our EL students.

EL Progress Update and Instructional Plans

About 18% of EL students attend school in person on Monday and Tuesday (Group A). About 18% of EL students attend school in person on Thursday and Friday (Group B). About 2% of EL students attend school in person four days a week (Group C is for students with IEP Only). About 54% of EL Students are 100% distance learning (Group D). About 8% of EL Students attend school in person two days a week and two days in a tech pod (Group E & F).

Review Parent Notifications

We send the parent notification every year, which gives the student's level and it gives information about reclassification. It also gives information on how parents can log into the parent portal. Initial parent notification letter is sent home whenever we give an initial test to a student and this letter gives an initial report that explains their options, rights and services offered. This year because testing took place in student's homes and the camera was recording a notification letter of testing was sent out to parents.

ELPAC Testing Update

Testing window opened on February 1st. With a deadline of May 31st, about 70% of the EL students have completed all four parts of the ELPAC.

DAC/DELAC Meetings

Final DAC/DELAC meeting for the 2020-21 school year:

Thursday, June 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned

7:15 pm