

Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
Meeting Agenda Meeting Notes
February 20, 2020 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

CAC Business Meeting Minutes

A group formed to advise the SELPA about the Special Education Local Plan that assures free, appropriate, public education in the least restrictive environment, parent education and other special education related activities. CAC also allows parents, school districts, SELPA and related agencies the opportunity to build communications, share resources and improve knowledge about special education issues.

CAC Business Meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM
Meeting Minutes taken by Cari Edwards

Attendance Feb 20th

- John Barrera, Parent Rep Manteca
- Melinda Barrera, Parent Rep Manteca
- Jody Burris, Manteca Unified
- Sharelle McIntrye, TUSD Rep
- Cari Edwards, TUSD Rep
- Lupe Buzo, Lincoln Parent
- Nikki Moss, FRN
- Daniele Berchtold, Escalon Teacher & Parent
- Clair Grenade, Spanish Speaker
- Joe Stansil, Dept of Reb
- Monica Filoso SJCOE County Programs
- NellLaine Kilgore, Banta Rep
- Brandi Brunni, SELPA Assistant Superintendent
- Dena Hernandez, State Council of Developmental Disabilities

Brandi SELPA – CDE changing compliance measures as it pertains to CDE everything is not in one plan. Two options “targeted” and “intensive” Manteca identified as “intensive” Mandatory training provided by CDE and still a lot of unknowns.

Monica Filoso - ESY planning stages, adding growth classes (site not selected yet for growth classes).

Jody Burris – DREDF training 30 parents attended at Manteca, DREDF was amazing and it was a successful IEP training.

Nellaine Kilgore – Working on training her team on IEP meetings. ELA/Math scores for SPED increase on CA Dashboard for Banta “needs improvement” is the current level of SPED students which is an improvement and Banta is happy to see change.

Danielle Wells – VMRC is hiring now, lots of opportunities. Covered upcoming training and transition fair in Stockton.

Nicki Moss – Shared about dental services, upcoming trainings and events

Joe Stansil – Foundation of CA communities of colleges shared about ways to expand Workability program. Encouraged DOR participation called “potentially eligible” age 16-22 only two forms is all that is required the primary focus is work experience, no cost to district.

Dena Hernandez – Shared about her desire to better educate parents about the IEP process and parent rights. Shared about upcoming training for adult self-advocate training and she enjoys the support of SJCOE.

Local Plan - SELPA

Current document is not complete. COD approves the local plan in May. CAC is advisory and they don't approve the plan they provide “input” into the plan. Send all questions to Brandi on draft of local plan current local plan is posted on website. Committee met three times with representatives from each district. Brandi will email the list of who participated from each district, list will be sent to Melinda to send to CAC.

CAC Group Discussion

Ongoing conversation about how poorly understood transition planning is at district level, DOR services are not well understood by teachers, staff or parents. Important to get more SPED teachers to have training since there is a lack of awareness which impacts parents but services offered to students. Ongoing discussion of how disconnected the services options are and limited ways that information is shared across districts. Agreement between many parents who attended the meeting that we can work to better communicate the mission of CAC. Hard to get parent interest and increase parent participation if it's not clear what CAC actually does. Further discussion about SPED meetings being all SPED teachers. The request was to train teachers so they understand disabilities and the process better. Huge disconnect between GenEd and SPED staff on issues of disabilities and the process to support students.

Next CAC meeting March 19th 11:45