Irvine Unified School District

Education Advisory Committee Minutes May 19, 2022 Thursday, 3:00 PM

Call to Order: Terry Walker called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

Roll Call: Attendance taken via introduction

Members Present: Kevork Abazajian, Kelly Carter, Jodie Hoffman, Jim Leung, Cassie

Parham, Connie Stone, Terry Walker, Manuella Yassa

Members Absent: Tina Chiang, Janelle Cranch, Sonia Kearney, Cathryn Mah, Kendie

Schlecht, Kristie Smemoe

Staff Present: Catherine Holmes, Keith Tuominen

Next Meeting Date: September 29, 2022, 3:00 PM

Check-in: Committee and staff members introduced themselves

Approval of Minutes: Approve the minutes of the February 17, 2022 meeting as

presented. Passed with a motion by Jodie Hoffman and seconded

by Jim Leung.

Adoption of the Agenda: Adopt agenda as presented. Passed with a motion by Kev

Abazajian and seconded by Connie Stone.

Education Advisory Committee Business

- District Communications: How effective our communication has been over the last few months
 - EAC members shared the following feedback/suggestions regarding district, school site, and classroom communication:
 - More information sent out by principals regarding on-campus opportunities for parents to be involved.
 - Communication for pick-up and drop-off procedures with invitation for on-campus option.
 - School site emails and invitations to on-campus opportunities that work to build back up community through parent interaction.
 - Re-evaluate communication around parent/teacher conferences.
 - Message at the start of the school year to families about the continuing support for social, emotional, and mental health with resources included, and share how supports are integrated into the student experience each day.

- Message at the start of the school year acknowledging the collective trauma our students, families, and staff have all experienced over the past two years and the collective, community effort it will take to help us heal.
- Continue to share things happening in the District through the IUSD newsletter on Parent Square.

Roundtable Discussion:

K. Abazajian shared that the City of Irvine Mayor is setting up funding for IUSD to support teacher training on genocide awareness. J. Hoffman asked about digital vs. hardcopy textbooks usage. J. Hoffman requested information about learning loss and about the enrollment numbers and staffing for the Learning Recovery Academy. K. Carter asked if there are procedures in place to support students that are not exhibiting mental health crises or behavior issues but may be experiencing them internally.

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m. on a motion made by Connie Stone and seconded by Kelly Carter.