

IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Education Department

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting
9:00 am to 10:30 am February 15, 2017
IUSD Learning Center
3387 Barranca, Irvine CA

AGENDA
February 15, 2017

Call to Order: (Chair) Meeting started 9:11 am

Welcome to Guests

- Board Member: Lauren Brooks
- Program Specialists and District Staff-
 - Melanie Hertig, Executive Director, SELPA
 - Jan Benner, Program Specialist.

Attendance: Introductions/Roll Call (Chair)

- New Members- welcome and please fill out a membership application.
- Voting Members Present- Christine Vu

Reading of last Minutes (Secretary)

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of last meeting

Moved by: Melonie Hertig

Second by: Jan Benner

Public Comments

The CAC invites members of the public to present information to the Committee and District about topics of interest or concern to individuals. Please fill out a card with your name with your questions and concerns. We will address these during our open forum. At any time during the meeting, you may hand these cards to any of the district personnel or Committee members.

When you are called upon, we request to keep a time limit of 3-minutes per presentation, so that we are able to address as many members as possible. Any questions that are specific to a child or situation, or any cards that are not attended to during this business meeting will be addressed at the next meeting or forwarded to the appropriate sub-committee to support you. Thank you.

1. Irvine Junior Games-Vanessa from IUSD APE (adaptive physical education) presented. There will be a Challenger section of the games with four events: 100m run, bag toss, long jump, and Basketball free throw. Each child will be matched with a child volunteer with IUSD APE teachers oversight. Parents are encouraged to watch and relax. Students will walk with their school at the opening ceremony, accept medals with their school, and will be part of an additional medal category. For those students whom are not receiving APE, but require additional support, parents are requested to contact the Junior Game Coordinator at your school of attendance. They will either work with APE teachers or at site level to match your child with an appropriate support volunteer. Each child with additional support requests will be met with case by case. This is to be fun, the staff is flexible, and want your child's participation.

Reports of Officers

Chairwoman Report- Danielle

- Business Meetings will be held April 19th 3:30 to 5:00 pm
 - Risk management for the district states that we are unable to provide child care on district grounds during our meetings, please arrange appropriate child care, thank you.
- Need officers for communication to help with newsletters, MailMonkey and such.
 - Discussion led to the conclusion that the secretary will make a separate Email request to administration at each site to be included in their emails.
 - We will not do a Facebook page, but rather reach out to established groups to post our meetings.
- Parent Workshop training will be provided in March 23, from 6-8 pm. April we will have an expo of Summer programs- date TBA.
- We are still short of school representatives, Legislative Committee Leader, Secretary, and Parent Networking Committee leader. Vote or Volunteers accepted. If we do not have volunteers we will add it the next agenda for next meeting.

Secretary Report- Danielle

- Review of Networking binders-and community upcoming events.
 - Mental and Behavioral Health Conference Saturday March 4, 2017. 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Cal State LA in the Golden Eagle Ballrooms. **Making Meaningful Intergenerational Connections.** Conference will have presentations on 1. Trauma and Risk, 2. Child Development, 3. Social Justice, Law and Leadership, 4. Media and Technology. Contact: Division of Special Education and Counseling, Charter College of Education, 323-343-4400 , ccoe@calstatela.edu \$30.00 (includes parking and lunch).
 - Stowell Learning Center offering a Free Parent Support Group. Do you know of a parent of a child with special needs who could use some P.E.A.C.E. (Parent Enrichment And Continued Education)? This month's topic is: Attention and Memory.. Attention and memory are "bottom line learning skills" that can contribute to frustrating behavior and learning challenges. Join us to discuss the role attention and memory have on learning and how they can be improved. Open to all parents of children who struggle with learning or attention. To RSVP, call (949) 477-4133
 - Orange County **United Way and Read Aloud 15 MINUTES Book Drive** Help us collect 1,000 new or gently used children's books by hosting a donation bin that we provide at your site that can act as a receptacle for anyone wishing to donate books. We can collect the bins and books any time during the duration of the drive. Date: December 2016 - March 1st, 2017. Contact Information: [Evan Schwieger](mailto:Evan.Schwieger@ocunitedway.org) - (949)263-6124
- Family Networking subcommittee meeting will be Meeting at Danielle's house 6 to 7:30. Address will be emailed to interested parents- please contact Danielle at 949-378-3002 or by email, SpecialNeeds_OC@yahoo.com February 28 is the next one.

Reports from District –

Executive Director Report – Melanie Hertig

- Follow up to the Questions about the Supplemental Educational tutoring (SES) This is a program from several years ago to support schools that did not meet the NCLB testing improvement markers. Since then we, as a nation, have moved together with ESSA (Every Student Successes

Act), supporting with RTI (Response to Intervention) to meet the Common Core goals, the program offered SES,, is no longer offered. Our school district is constantly identifying students in need and supporting them to ensure that they are making growth year to year.

- Friday while our children are with us, our teachers will be learning, sharing and expanding their professional development. They will cover Universal Design in teaching and learning. They will learn alternative ways to represent work and work production, expression and how to engage students with different learning styles in different ways. They will explore processing as it relates to student performance. By identifying the students processing weaknesses and strengths, teacher can then define how best to reach them.
- At the state level: Kristin Wright as the new Special Education Division Director at the California Department of Education (CDE). For more information on her visit http://www.calstat.org/publications/article_detail.php?a_id=125&nl_id=18

Committee Reports

PTA-Mental Health NAMI coming for Middle and High Schoolers for Recognizing Stressors and Concerns in Teenagers. HS March 23 from 7-9 pm. **Open to everyone.**

Discussion/Action Items (Chair)

New Item: Lauren informed us of Irvine City's Prevention Coalition. They meet Thursdays at 2:45 at City Hall and discuss Mental Health and other needs. Melissa DiScala is the coordinator.

<http://www.irvinepreventioncoalition.org>

NEXT MEETING

- Items tabled : none

Adjourn Time: 10:02 am

Motion: Lauren

Seconded: Melanie