

IRVINE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Special Education Department

Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting
6:00-6:30 November 8, 2018
IUSD District Office – Board Room
5050 Barranca, Irvine CA

Minutes
November 8, 2018

Call to Order (Chair): 6:18pm

Welcome to Guest

- Board Member (s): Bernadette Laefaele, Robin Cowan, Donna Billimek
- School Board – Sharon Wallin
- Program Specialist and District Staff: Melanie Hertig, Stacy Kredel, Christina Reyes, Stephanie Pettey, Allison Robbins, Lisa Torkzadeh , Angela Paterson, Amy Ochoa.

Attendance: Introductions/Roll Call (Chair) 12 voting members present.

Reading of last Minutes: (Chair) Passed our copies for attendees to review.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes of the last meeting

Moved by: Bernadette
Second by: Robin

Public Comments (Chair)

-Chair reviewed the Public Comments procedures.

-Melanie reviewed the pink versus the blue comment cards.

- Pink cards are specific to individuals and will be discussed privately with an appropriate district representative.
- Blue cards are public comments

-Chair reviewed The Brown Act for Committees.

- Eight voting members are required for a quorum.
- State guidelines require the agenda be posted 72 hours in advance to the meeting.
- Meetings are open to the public
- Public Comments are open to anyone & should be limited to 3 minutes maximum.

-Chair reviewed Roberts Rules

- One person shall speak at time.
- Chair runs the meeting.
- CAC Board will differ public comments to IUSD Staff for appropriate follow-up & support.
- Items not on the current agenda items will not be discussed but can be requested to be added to the next meeting's agenda allowing the public notice for attendance.

The CAC invites members of the public to present information to the Committee and the 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. Prior to the public comment item on the agenda, 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.

- Parent Heather expressed the following during the public comments time.

- Resolve of Special Education students that were excluded from general education field trips and for it to be added to the next CAC meeting agenda
- Requesting that General Education Teachers be trained on better interactions, engagements, and mainstreaming opportunities for students with disabilities.
- Chair – directed further action to Melanie Hertig.

- Parent Michelle expressed the following during the public comments time.

- Requesting protocol review & solutions so that children with disabilities are not excluded from field trips.
- Expressed that she knows an IA in the District that is pleased with her school.
- Chair – directed further action to Melanie Hertig.

- Parent Shelly expressed the following during the public comments time.

- Son has a rough transition to new elementary school, Oak Creek. Parent thankful for the collaboration & support that staff as Oak Creek provided. Special thanks to the BIS Team for all their hard work and support.

- Parent Erin expressed the following during the public comments time.

- As a parent of a child in a SAI MOD/SEV program, felt great communication & full inclusion regarding field trips in her child's school.
 - Requested that best practices from Meadow Park & El Camino regarding field trips be added to next CAC meeting agenda as an example of what is working for all students participating in field trips.
- Parent Valerie expressed the following during the public comments time.
- As a MOD/SEV IA in the district, believes there is good training for both parents and employees.
 - Would like to see training on State & Federal IEP Laws.
 - Would like to see training for parents outlining how IUSD runs Special Education in our District.
 - Chair – directed further action to Melanie Hertig.
- **Reports from the Officers: (Chair)**
- Announced a Mariner's Church "Dancing Without Limits" dance taking place Saturday, November 10, 2018 from 6-9pm for guest with disabilities ages 14 and older.
- **Reports from the District: (Melanie)**
- Announced the Irvine adult transitions panel.
 - ECLC Toilet Training on 11/8/18.
 - An adult Service Provider Fair took place 10/25/18, materials from the fair are available on the table.
 - Multiple sessions will be taking place throughout 2018-2019 regarding training general education teachers on how to better support children with disabilities, including sensitivity training. (dates TBD)
 - College Park had an Abilities Awareness Week in October 2018.
 - Facilitated IEP Staff Training will continue through Key 2 Ed. (dates TBD)

Next Meeting: January 17, 2019, 9-11am

Adjourn Time: 8:39pm **Motion:** Bernadette **Second:** Donna