



African-American/Black Parent Advisory Committee



*General Meeting
September 9, 2020
5:30 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.
Virtual Zoom Meeting*

Minutes

1.0 Meeting called to order at 5:38p.m. Selena Johnson (Vice-President) welcomed all members and guests present. Selena Johnson made the motion to start the meeting. Bennett Afari (Parliamentarian) seconded the motion. Motion carried.

2.0 Roll Call by Maggie Canela- The following schools were represented:

1. **Bush-** Selena Johnson
2. **Chavez-** Selena Johnson
3. **Edison-** Albert Cato
4. **El Dorado-** Lakesha Dunn
5. **El Dorado-** Lowana Mitchell
6. **Hong Kingston-** Karesha Boyd
7. **Hoover-** Bennett Afari
8. **Khol-** Layetta Finister
9. **SECA-** Layetta Finister
10. **Taft-** Jose Harmon

A total of 8 members were present. Additionally, staff from Family Engagement & Education Office: Dara Dalmau, Administrator, Aracely Vargas, Charles Watkins and Maggie Canela; Sharon Barnes, Director of Equity and Family Engagement & Education Office; Dr. Connor Sloan, LCAP Coordinator; Dr. Traci Miller, Director of Student Support Services; Dr. Jose Cardenas, Counselor; and 4 guests for a total of 20 in attendance.

3.0 Changes to Agenda- Karesha Boyd made a motion to table agenda item 5.2. Selena Johnson second the motion. Motion carried.

4.0 Read and Approve Minutes- Selena Johnson reminded all members that minutes were mailed to be pre-read and revised. Aracely Vargas (Parent Liaison) shared the minutes on the screen to show the rest of attendees. Selena Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 9, 2020 meeting. Bennett Afari seconded the motion. Karesha Boyd opposed the approval of the minutes. Motion carried by majority. 7-0-1

5.0 Old Business-

5.1 Book Bags- A discussion regarding the AABPAC Book Bags started and it was announced that there are 47 bags in total available. The FEEO is waiting on reprographics to print the logo onto the bags and more books have been ordered for future member distribution. Mrs. Boyd requested an explanation for the delay pertaining to the project started last year. Aracely provided several reasons for the delay: 1. The person previously supporting the AABPAC did not follow through.

2. The Pandemic (COVID-19) changed the priorities at the Reprographic Department.
3. The AABPAC logo had to be modified so it would print correctly on the bags.

5.2 Black History Month Event- tabled to the next meeting.

6.0 New Business-

6.1 Race to Complete- Dr. Jose Cardenas (School Counselor Program Specialist) shared important information about the “Race to Complete” initiative which consists of how school counselors see themselves and provide support in a 3-tier system. The levels are academic, social emotional, career and college. He also described the role of the counselor and the comprehensive services they provide in schools. He spoke about the financial aid available to all seniors graduating this school year. He showed them the percentage of students who start the financial aid process and finish the whole process. He explained the different types of financial aid that are available and the amount they can receive just by applying. He reviewed the requirements needed to apply to FAFSA, CA Dream Act and CA Cal Grant. He showed parents websites where they can apply for scholarships. The presentation was mailed to members and available on the screen for guests. Araceli Garcia from CSU Stanislaus and Director of the McNair Scholarship Program explained the requirement for the scholarship. She also told members about program availability to students that decide to attend CSU Stanislaus.

6.2 African American/Black Student Data- Dr. Sloan (LCAP Coordinator) presented the data on African American/ Black students in the district. The data was sent to the members, by mail, prior to the meeting and was available on the screen for everyone present. He spoke about rates of chronic absenteeism, math, suspension, graduation, graduates who are college or career ready, graduates who meet the requirements for UC / CSU and the percentages compared to the rest of the district. He let us know that there are programs and tutoring that the school district is offering. The district offers math and Language Arts training as well as instructional coaches to teachers. Since the district is aware of the difficulties teachers have to face these days, he explained teachers learn about curriculum and pedagogy through ongoing professional development. The district is using the I-Ready and Benchmark programs to monitor student academic performance.

6.3 Elections- Nomination forms were due back on October 21, 2020 for President and Secretary. Selena Johnson (Vice-President) explained to the members that she was the only nominee for President. There were no nominations for secretary. The members conducted a hand vote for Selena Johnson for president. Karesha Boyd made the motion to have Selena Johnson be president. Bennett Afari second the motion. Motion carried.

6.4 Drive-Thru Parent Recruitment - On November 6, 2020 the FEEO and the AABPAC Vice-President Selena Johnson, Parliamentarian Bennett Afari, and Karesha Boyd helped with the drive –thru parent membership recruitment; their assistance, greatly appreciated.

7.0 Reports

7.1 LCAP- the LCAP survey began on 10/26/2020 and will be available until 02/05/2021 online.

7.2 Counseling Department- There are weekly counselor newsletters available with valuable information and fun facts.

7.3 PAC- Next meeting December 3rd 2020 at 5:30 pm ZOOM link available online

7.4 LatinX - Next meeting November 19th, 2020 at 9:30 am ZOOM link available online

8.0 Announcements- Next AABPAC meeting December 9th, 2020 at 5:30-7:00 pm Virtually
Stockton Unified School District's Got Talent November 20th, 2020

9.0 Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m. Selena Johnson made the first motion and Bennett Afari second the motion. Motion carried.

Family Engagement & Education Office

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