

# LatinX Parent Advisory Committee Comité Asesor de Padres LatinX

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# October 15,2020 Virtual Meeting

## **Minutes**

- 1.0 Meeting was called to order at 9:35a.m. Martha Hernandez (vice president) welcomed all members and guests present. Martha Hernandez made the first motion to start the meeting. Adriana Cardona made the second motion. Motion carried.
- 2.0 Roll Call by Lucila Mendoza- The following schools were represented:
  - 1. August- Leticia Albor, Rosa Reyes, Maria Lopez, Leticia Guzman
  - 2. Chavez- Leticia Albor, Leticia Guzman
  - 3. Cleveland-Rosa Arana
  - 4. Edison-Lucia Vega
  - **5. Franklin-** Enrique Muñoz (president), Angelina Aranda (secretary), Martha Hernandez (vice president), Lucy Muñoz
  - 6. Grunsky- Maria Sandra Arreola
  - 7. Hamilton- Claudia Cruz
  - **8.** Harrison- Modesta Ramirez, Paola Lopez, Alicia Orozco, Maria Andrade
  - **9. HCA-** Martha Hernandez (vice president)
  - 10. Henry- Blanca Olivera
  - 11. Hong Kingston- Luz Avila
  - **12. McKinley-** Francisca Vargas, Veronica Merino, Lorena Casillas, Beatriz Lopez
  - 13. Merlo- Claudia Cruz
  - 14. PYA- Irma Rubio (parliamentarian), Angelina Aranda
  - **15. Roosevelt-** Enrique Muñoz, Lucy Muñoz
  - 16. SECA- Sandra Hernandez, Veronica Merino, Francisca Vargas
  - 17. **Weber-** Modesta Ramirez, Veronica Merino, Lucila Mendoza (secretary), Maria Andrade

A total of 25 parents were present. In addition, the staff of the Family Engagement and Education Office: Dara Dalmau, Administrator, Aracely Vargas, Charles Watkins, Maggie Canela, Parent Liaison; Sharon Barnes, Director of Equity and Family Engagement and Education Office; Dr. Connor Sloan, LCAP Coordinator; Pedro Heredia, Mental Health Clinician; 6 guests for a total of 37 in attendance.

- **3.0 Changes to Agenda-** A motion was made for Martha Hernandez (vice president) to lead the meeting. Francisca Vargas made the first motion and Lucia Vega made seconded the motion. Motion approved.
- 4.0 Read and Approve Minutes- Changes were made to the minutes in Spanish and English. They added "Dr./ Dra." to the names of Mr. Jose Cardenas and Mrs. Traci Miller. In section 6.1, "los Artículos II y Artículos IV" were changed to "Artículos II y IV". In section 6.3 "la" was added before the word page. In sections 7.1 and 7.2, capital letters were added to the beginning of each sentence. Martha Hernandez made the first motion to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 17, 2020 with the corrections. Sabrina Rincon seconded the motion. Motion approved.

#### 5.0 Old Business-

**5.1 Bylaws-** Martha Hernandez (vice president) reviewed the bylaws that Aracely Vargas (Parent Liaison) mailed to all members. All members were asked to review the revisions to the bylaws that were updated at the previous meeting. These bylaws will be used until a change is made.

#### 6.0 New Business-

- 6.1 What is stress? And how to cope- Pedro Heredia (Mental Health Clinician) gave the presentation. He shared that stress is one way the body and brain react to any demand. He gave strategies on how to manage stress and how to avoid it. Resources on how to practice relaxation techniques can be found on the Mental Health website. Also one Monday a month they give "Mindfulness Monday" to help parents and students.
- 6.2 Latin Student Data- Dr. Sloan (LCAP Coordinator) presented the data on Latino students in the district. The data was sent to the members by mail and was available on the screen for everyone present. He spoke about rates of chronic absenteeism, English language arts (ELA), 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, language arts training and coaches to teachers through professional development as the district knows what is happening and is aware that they need help with the new curriculum. The district is using the I-Ready and Benchmark program to monitor student academic performance. Mrs. Dalmau informed parents that there will be a workshop to explain to parents how I-Ready and Benchmark work. Francisca Vargas asked if there is a "P" on the report card if it affects the student. The "P" has no score and can affect a student's average if he or she needs that class to go to college or university. Both entities require a score to apply. Parents were encouraged to ask for a percentage. Mr. Heredia also mentioned that TAY teaches students to transition from student to young adult.

A motion was requested to extend the meeting for 15 minutes. Sandra Arreola made the first motion. Francisca Vargas made the second motion. Motion approved.

High school students are encouraged to meet with the counselors so they can explain the resources that exist and also to inform them about the credit recovery programs, as well as to inform them about the mentors in the community, organizations and companies. The district knows there is progress, but it is slow and so they continue to pursue programs for students like CTE. Mrs. Canela asked if there is a date by which counselors must notify parents if a student is not graduating? Yes, there are dates put in place so the counselors notify parents if their child won't be graduating. Dr. Sloan told parents that parents can see how their children are doing through "Jupiter," since "Jupiter" provides parents with their children's grades instantly.

## 7.0 Reports-

- 7.1 Counseling Department- On October 19, 2020, information on the Role of Counselors will be given at 10:00 am. Sections will continue on November 30, December 14, January 25 and February 22. The financial aid window is available starting October 1 to all students who want aid.
- 7.2 PAC-Next meeting on November 5 at 5:30, the ZOOM link is available online.
- 7.3 AABPAC- Next meeting on November 12 at 5:30, the ZOOM link is available online

### 8.0 Announcements-

Next LatinX meeting November 19 at 5:30, the ZOOM link is available online.

On October 20 there will be a Project 2 Inspire workshop by CABE at 9:30 am.

On October 21 there will be module 4 technology training in English at 10am.

Parents were invited to join the FEEO Facebook account.

We were told that there will no longer be surveys for the committees, they will only be done for the workshops.

7.0 Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 11:19 am. Veronica Merino made the first motion and Rosa Arana second the motion. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Lucila Mendoza and Aracely Vargas.

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