

LatinX Parent Advisory Committee Comité Asesor de Padres LatinX

Family Engagement & Education Office

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November 19,2020 Virtual Meeting

Minutes

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

A total of 29 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. Taci Miller, Director of Student Services, Dr. Jose Cardenas, Tamara Gray Program Specialist Counselor and 16 guests for a total of 53 in attendance.

3.0 Changes to Agenda- None

4.0 Read and Approve Minutes- Changes were made to the minutes in Spanish. In section 8.0 "12 de noviembre" to "19 de noviembre". In 5.1 "las revisiones" to "las correcciones" and "haiga" por "haya". In 4.0 "mayúscula" to "mayúsculas". In 6.2 "absentismo" to "ausentismo" and the "," comma was removed after sí and eliminated "va" before graduará. Lucia Vega made a motion to approve the minutes for the October 15,2020 with the corrections. Francisca Vargas made the second motion. Motion approved.

5.0 Old Business- None

6.0 New Business-

- 6.1 Race to Complete- Dr. Jose Cardenas (Program Specialist Counselor) shared important information about the "Race to Complete" initiative which is how school counselors view and provide support in a 3 tier system. The 3 levels are academic, social emotional, careers, and college. He also explained to us that it is the role of counselors 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 entire process. He explained the different types of financial aid that are available, where they come from, and the amount they can receive just by applying. He went over the requirements to apply for the FAFSA, CA Dream Act, and CA Cal Grant. He showed them websites where they can apply for scholarships. Applications for financial aid open October 1 and close March 2. He gave the web pages where they can get more information and help. Also how you can contact Dr. Cardenas for more information. Mrs. Sharon Barnes gave the Willie B. Atkins Scholar Program website where students can receive free help. The presentation was mailed to members and was available on screen for guests to view.
- 6.2 Stockton Scholars- Martin Sanchez (Stockton Scholars) gave a presentation on the scholarship that is available to all district students graduating this school year. Scholarships consist of \$1000 for 4 years if they go to a university. If they go to a community college the scholarship consists of \$500 per year for 2 years. Requirements are to complete the FAFSA or CA Dream Act form, must graduate with a 2.0 GPA from a Stockton Unified school or school participating in the program and fill out an application for the scholarship, regardless of income. They also offer help with training and support students with their personal statement essays. They support the completion of the FAFSA or CA Dream Act financial aid applications, leadership development, and college access support through the HS Ambassador program. The next meeting will be Thursday, December 3, 2020 at 5 pm. Martin gave his phone number (209) 255-2321 and email martin@stocktonscholar.org for more information.

A motion was requested to extend the meeting for 30 minutes. Sandra Arreola made the first motion. Nancy Bautista made the second motion. Motion approved.

6.3 Delta College- Ms. Candace Mc Gree (Financial Aid Specialist) presented information about financial aid that is available to individuals who want to go to Delta College. She explained to the parents the 4 categories of aid that are available to students: Grants, Scholarships, Work Study, and Loans. She showed them the cost of tuition and housing. She also reviewed the process for financial aid and scholarships available. She reminded parents that there are some scholarships at Delta College that are first come basis, limited, and you do not have to pay.

Maria Andrade made a motion to extend the meeting for 20 minutes and Lucia Vega made the second motion. Motion approved.

He reminded parents that scholarships can be lost if students do not meet the requirements. The Cal Grant is available for 6 years. For more information, you can call (209) 954-5115 or on the Delta College Financial Aid website www.deltacollege.edu and search financial aid departments.

6.4 Attendance- Aracely Vargas (Alianza Parent) reviewed the list of parents who have not participated in the LatinX committee since last year. She asked for two motions to remove them from the list: 1. Nelly Gutierrez, 2. Susie Mariano, 3. Lisbeth Chavez, 4. Rosa Luna V, 5. Anali Alvarado Ramos, 6. Maribel Canela, 7. Cendy Alvarez, 8. Elena Ochoa, 9. Velma Morgan-Johnson, 10. Maria Cervantes and 11. America Bejar.

Rosa Arana made the first motion to remove the members for missing meetings and Veronica Merino made the second motion. Motion approved.

7.0 Reports-

- 7.1 LCAP- The LCAP survey began on 10/26/2020 and is available until 02/05/2021. The link is available on the district website. Parents can express their opinions and needs for their school.
- **7.2 Counseling Department-** Information on financial aid will be released on November 20, 2020 at 12:00 pm.
- 7.3 PAC-Next meeting on December 3,2020 at 5:30 pm, the ZOOM link is available online.
- **7.4 AABPAC-** Next meeting on December 9,2020 at 5:30 pm, the ZOOM link is available Online.

8.0 Announcements-

Next LatinX meeting January 21, 2021 from 9:30-11am, the ZOOM link is available online.

On November 19, 2020 there will be an All About IEP workshop at 2:30 pm.

9.0 Adjournment- Meeting was adjourned at 11:47am. Maria Plascencia made the first motion and Sandra Arreola second the motion. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Lucila Mendoza and Aracely Vargas.

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