

Point Loma Cluster General Board Meeting

MINUTES

February 2, 2015

Attendance:

Jackie McCabe, Sunset View

Tracy Morton, Sunset View

Marco Drapeau, Ocean Beach

Suzy Reid, Ocean Beach

Irene Hightower, Cabrillo

Kimie Lochtefeld, Area 3 Superintendent

Rebecca Penh, Loma Portal

Mark Harryman, Visitor PL Library

Reyna Turner, Loma Portal

Karen Coutts, Correia

Tricia Cox, Correia

Tanya McMillin, Dewey

Isabel Leyva, Dana

Gavin Ching, Sunset View

Kate Lubsen, Visitor Parent/Community

Marvin Estrin, PLHS

Jack Vallerga, Correia

Gisella Giggberger, Dana

Kirstin Rone, Dana

Nicole Burgess, Visitor Presenter/Parent - Dana,

Correia/PLHS

Scott Irwin, Dana

Jennifer O'Conner, Visitor Dana/Correia VP

Arielle Sykes, Silver Gate

Ruth Rappaport, Dewey

Melinda Albright, Silver Gate

Jonathan McDade, Correia

Hans Becker, PLHS

1. **Welcome**, Quorum established. Note-taker needed – Suzy Reid; Tricia Cox volunteered to take notes from the meeting.

2. **Mike McQuary, new Board Member**; Dr. McQuary attended for part of the meeting and asked for the cluster to consider getting future student (current Dana or Correia students) input on the vision for Point Loma High School.

3. **BOE Presentation, Access to a Broad and Challenging Curriculum** – Kimie Lochtefeld; A Power Point presentation was given about the quality indicator #4; access to a broad and challenging curriculum in SDU.

There are 4 pathways to advanced studies are available in SDU schools and 3 are offered at PLHS:

1. Advanced Placement (AP); AP classes are offered at PLHS. 53% of PLHS students take AP classes; which is a gold standard. Statistics are available to show AP courses taken and AP exams passed. An independent audit of the AP program will be completed this year at PLHS.
2. International Baccalaureate (IB) Programme
3. Community College Partnerships
4. College Career and Technical Education (CCTE); PLHS has the following pathways related to a field of study on offer. The courses align with the A-G college preparatory requirements and in some cases, may provide benefits in college acceptance:
 - a. Arts, media and entertainment
 - b. Education, child development and family studies
 - c. Health science and medical technology
 - d. Engineering and environmental sciences

As part of LCAP (Local Control Accountability Plan) the cluster should consider the following points:

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- What is working?
 - i. There has been a 12% increase in local students attending PLHS
- What is needed?
 - i. PC computer lab at Correia MS
 - ii. increased communication in the cluster
- What are the priorities?

SDUSD Professional Development: Learning Cycles

How do we develop students who take an active stance in their own learning and become actively literate, contributing members of society who make a positive difference in the world?

Learning Cycle 1 (August 15 – November 12)

How do we develop an academic, social and physical environment worthy of our children?

Learning Cycle 2 (November 12 – February 5)

How do we create classrooms that are alive with collaborative conversations?

Principals and Teachers felt the Professional Development on Collaborative Conversations was extremely valuable.

4. **SANDAG grant**, discussion - Nicole Burgess; A Power Point presentation was given on a grant that was won through SANDAG to promote bike and pedestrian safety. The grant is a reimbursement (PLCS would have to front the money for the project and be reimbursed) plan for a local street mural proposed for the intersection of Voltaire Street and Poinsettia (by the Point Loma Hervey Library). Suzy Reid motioned to support the SANDAG grant; Karen Coutts seconded. The vote passed with 22 in favor, 0 opposed and 0 abstained.

5. **LCFF/LCAP Review** – Suzy Reid; Information on these two acronyms will be added to the ‘Teacher Speak Decoded’ series for the next eblast.

6. **LCAP Planning Meeting Follow up** – Suzy Reid; Due to time limitations, Suzy will post notes on the LCAP Planning Meeting to the PLCS website.

7. **Cluster Congress Follow up** – Kirstin Rone; Suzy Reid and Kirstin Rone attended the SDUSD Cluster Congress as representatives of PLCS. The discussion centered around communications with stakeholders and how to best get feedback from those stakeholders.

8. **Principal’s Update** - Scott Irwin; a PLCS sponsored Parent Night was held last week on digital safety with approximately 50 parents and 25 students in attendance. Other possible Parent Nights are being investigated, such as mental health. Principals are working on improved transitioning of students receiving special education services. This will be the first year that the family of 4th grade special

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education students will meet with the elementary level special ed. Teacher or counselor, and the Dana counselor to improve communication and ease transition.

9. **Starbucks Art Supply Drive** for the month of March - Tanya McMillin; all local Starbucks will be collecting donations for elementary school art supplies in the month of March. At the end of the month, the proceeds will be split between the 6 cluster elementary schools to be used for art supplies.

10. **Public Comment;** none

11. **Adjourn**