

## Poway Unified Community Advisory Minutes for January 22, 2019

Meeting was called to order 6:32pm

### **Attendance:**

Present: Shelly Wright, Karen Harkins Slocomb, Heather Plotzke, Gina Zanolini, Tiffany King, Melissa Lazaro, Anna Quint, Cheryl Hernandez, Rosabel Abayani, Etis Fathy, Frida Brunzell, David Choi (by phone)

Absent: Sheila Keesling & Bernard Larsen

District Liaisons: Greg Mizel & Lisa Dreyer

### **Public Input:**

Lara B. from 4S Ranch expressed concern about the district rebuilding at Oak Valley MS and the building movement process of placing SpEd classrooms in portables, including classrooms for SAI who have technology needs not met by portables.

Michelle O.R. from San Diego spoke about the Adobe Bluffs annual disability awareness program and invited everyone to attend.

**Minutes for December 2018** were approved after correction of names.

### **Special Ed Foundation update**

Mark Exley, President of the Foundation, spoke about the mini-grant application process. He shared a form with 120 applications listed. He explained the application process and the criteria used to award grants, and how recipients are notified. The Foundation is working at updating the process of submitting for the mini grants.

Mark explained how they are careful about keeping the money going out on a regular basis. Mark shared they take in \$30-\$40,000 per year through the Excellence event, restaurant fundraisers and monthly donors. Jack O Smash also ran to benefit the Foundation in part, but there was no donation from that event in 2018.

Mark shared that the Foundation currently has one parent and one other teacher who carry all the load for running and organizing the Foundation. They would like some volunteers to join the SEF.

People present asked about the types of volunteers needed to help the Foundation to keep moving forward. Mark will work to develop an outline on how the organization can be built with the infrastructure.

There were comments and feedback from those present regarding how to help grow and move the SEF forward.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

**Membership:** Frida Brunzell resigned as secretary but plans to continue in her position with the CAC as a general member. Etis nominated herself to fill the position. Rosabel seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

**External communications:** Melissa reported that the subcommittee had reviewed the current handbook and working with district to work out how to get info. There was discussion around using a one-page basic facts that redirect people to the website. The subcommittee is working to get a good process to have information get into the parents' hands. Information can be on the LSS site with links to Spec Ed website. Can be distributed at the IAT meeting. Next steps are to meet with district liaison to get things moving forward. Second to have some decision from District on what the plan is to get information updated and up to date

**Internal Communication:** Nothing to report.

**Events:** Parent event is March 12. Will need to meet before next meeting for Parent Event details.

**Governance:** See Local Plan Review below

### **Local Plan Review**

The CAC reviewed recommended changes to the Local Plan, which are attached to the minutes. Members were asked to consider the membership selection process and the number of members to try and reach consensus at a subsequent meeting. The Governance Subcommittee will meet and present the remaining recommendations at the next CAC meeting.

Info will be dropped into minutes from email sent out to committee

Tonight will cover first part of changes

Members identified clarity of some areas. Members were directed to review notes for next meeting. Governance is meeting in Feb to work on next section.

### **District Liaison Report**

Greg M introduced the new SELPA director, Lisa Dreyer, and he described her background and experience. He explained the district will be following a 4-director model, with the following general roles:

Lorelei Olsen - Primary grades

Tiffany King – Secondary grades

Jodi Payne - Due Process

Lisa Dreyer - SELPA

Greg reported that the district provided weeklong dyslexia training to instructors from each school, and the Barton program will be rolled out to the district in grades K-8. There will be ongoing education moving forward to bring in additional staff.

**The meeting was adjourned.**

**Attachment:** Governance Subcommittee Meeting Notes from 1/20/2019