



**MEETING OF THE
SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL
(SEDAC)**

MINUTES

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018

9:00 AM GENERAL MEETING

11:30 AM EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

**Horizon Hills – Multipurpose Room
33 Greta Street
Thousand Oaks**

SEDAC EXECUTIVE BOARD

Vote scheduled for September 18, 2018

ADMINISTRATION

Lisa A. Miller, Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services

Erika F. Johnson, Director, Special Education

Kate Potter, Senior Administrative Assistant

Kathy Stevens, Administrative Assistant

HELPFUL INFORMATION

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If you wish to address the Special Education District Advisory Council (SEDAC), then it is necessary to complete a speaker form (salmon) and hand it to the secretary. If you would like to make comments about items not on the agenda, a speaker form should be completed and turned in prior to the Public Comments section of the agenda. If you wish to address an agenda item, please submit your form prior to the Action portion of the agenda, Pursuant to the Green Act, **members of the public have an opportunity to speak during Public Comments only.** The Special Education District Advisory Council cannot enter into formal discussion nor can a decision be made in regard to public comments. However, The Special Education District Advisory Council may briefly respond to comments or questions from the public, and ask clarification questions or make announcements. The Special Education District Advisory Council may provide a reference to District staff or other resources of information; request District staff to report out at a subsequent meeting or may request the Special Education District Advisory Council Executive Board to place an item on a future agenda. Public Comments will be limited to three minutes. On those occasions where there are 5 or more speaker cards, the Chairperson of the Special Education District Advisory Council may make the decision to decrease the time. Please present your comments in a factual, respectful, and dignified manner that models how we expect our members to participate in the democratic process.

If you wish to register your opinion on a topic but not speak, then please fill out a public written statement form (yellow) and hand it to the secretary. Special Education District Advisory Council Executive Board members will review these forms following the General Meeting.

Your input is greatly appreciated.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED SPECIAL EDUCATION DISTRICT ADVISORY COUNCIL (SEDAC) MEETING

Tuesday, October 23, 2018

9:00 AM General Meeting, 11:30 AM Executive Board Meeting

AGENDAS ARE POSTED AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

CVUSD District Office, 1400 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 *serves as the main posting location pursuant to the Green Act, Government Code 35147 (b)*

Additional locations

Newbury Park High School, 456 Reino Road, Newbury Park, CA 91320
Thousand Oaks High School, 2323 Moorpark Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360
Westlake High School, 100 N. Lakeview Canyon Road, Westlake Village, CA 91362
CVUSD Office of Special Education, 33 Greta Street, Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

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Conejo Valley Unified School District
Special Education District Advisory Council Minutes
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Horizon Hills, Multipurpose Room – 9:00 AM

9:00 AM – 11:30 AM *Times are approximate*

I. General Meeting Session

A. Call the Meeting to Order

1. Meeting called to order at 9:05 AM

B. Pledge of Allegiance

1. Lisa Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance

C. Introductions

1. SEDAC Site Representatives introduced themselves to the group
2. Public and Parent Guests introduced themselves to the group

D. Vote for Executive Board Members

1. One nominee for Chair, Cindy Liu - All members voted in favor of the nomination
2. One nominee for Vice Chair, Erin Bell – All members voted in favor of the nomination
3. One nominee for Secretary, Carol Shelton – All members voted in favor of the nomination
4. One nominee for Parliamentarian – All members voted in favor of the nomination

E. Candidates Introduced Themselves

1. Each member of the newly elected SEDAC Executive Board, thanked the group and gave a brief bio about themselves

F. Inclusive Week, December 3-7, 2018

1. National Inclusive School Week is a time to highlight and celebrate all of our differences
2. Opportunity for each CVUSD school to engage their staff, students and parents and encourage them to find ways to be more inclusive for all students, not just special education

G. School Site Updates

1. Acacia Magnet School for Enriched Learning
 - Currently working on incorporating new school name into Title 1 Parent Involvement documents
2. Aspen - No update
3. Banyan
 - School hasn't had site council meeting yet
4. Be Me Preschool
 - Program does not have a school site council

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- Mr. Mason scheduled to discuss concerns with program coordinator
 - Positive is that students of BE Me and Wonder Preschools now mingle during the day
 - All classrooms have smartboards and a teacher is teaching ASL to students
5. Colina
 - Would like better communication from school to parents
 6. Conejo – No update
 7. Cypress – No update
 8. EARTHs
 - School hasn't had site council meeting
 - Will ask school to get more information out to parents
 9. Glenwood
 - Would like to know how to reach out to other parents
 - New ADA minded teacher is positive addition to campus
 - Target time is positive and it is great that the Special Education teachers are working with Gen Ed teachers to include SDC students
 10. Ladera STARS Academy
 - Site council meeting held last month
 - SEDAC representatives encouraged IEP parents to please submit their interests to them
 11. Lang Ranch
 - SSC Meeting next week
 - School is teaching Growth Mindset
 - Would like to learn more about Growth Mindset and Inclusion
 12. Los Cerritos
 - Would like resources to learn what inclusion looks like and how it will work
 - Learned a lot today to take back to school site council meeting
 - Would like better communication from site to parents
 - Teachers are very supportive
 13. Madrona – No update
 14. Maple
 - New hydration station installed thanks to Measure I funding
 - Reported new bigger, kinder play yard installed to allow for inclusion of special education and general education students
 15. Newbury Park High
 - SEDAC representatives are working with the school to find a tool to communicate with all parents
 16. Post-Secondary
 - Explained post-secondary program to attendees. New great event is additional classroom and teacher! Tremendously helpful and greatly appreciated. Classrooms received new smart board with assistance from Measure I funds. Would like additional paraprofessional support.
 17. Redwood
 - Schools and/or individuals can rent Ability Awareness kits from SELPA
 - A few administrative changes at site, working with new administrators on SEDAC reps ability to communicate with other special education parents

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18. Sequoia

- School is working on filling all position on their school site council
- Stacey will attend SSC meeting to represent SEDAC and will work with school to improve communications with special education parents

19. Sycamore Canyon

- PTSA provides maximum support
- SEDAC representative is currently trying to connect with other parents but hasn't been successful
- Suggestion of social media page was made. Special Education administrators will work with SEDAC representative and principal on this topic

20. Thousand Oaks High

- Back-to-School night good opportunity for SEDAC representative to encourage parents to share successes and concerns

21. Walnut

- Mrs. Wall is phenomenal in her support of students and parents on campus

22. Weathersfield – No update

23. Westlake Elem – No update

24. Westlake High – No update

25. Westlake Hills – No update

26. Wildwood

- School hasn't had SSC meeting yet, however, SEDAC representative has encouraged parents to attend SEDAC meetings
- Would like District to send message to parents explaining what "inclusive" entails

H. Comments

1. Public

(Pursuant to the Green Act, the CVUSD Special Education District Advisory Council (SEDAC) cannot enter into formal discussion with individuals making public comments to the Special Education District Advisory Committee (SEDAC). The SEDAC may not take any action on any item of business unless that item appeared on the posted agenda or unless the council or committee members present, by unanimous vote, find that there is a need to take immediate action and that the need for action came to the attention of the council or committee subsequent to the posting of the agenda. Members may respond to public comments during the Individual Comments section of the agenda.)

- Cecilia Laufenberg, RTC, Therapeutic Recreation Supervisor, CRPD
 - Shared information about fall Therapeutic Recreation programs being offered to public
 - New – Rainbow Connection Family Resource Center is coming to T.O., September 10 to meet Resource Parents and discuss Rainbow Connections can better support our community
 - New – Let's Dance class for students 6+
 - New ABA Karate class for students 5+
 - Dream Catcher playground in Old Meadows is now inclusive

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- FYI for all those Sparkles parents – Cheerleading is now a Special Olympics sport
 - Recreation programs staff speaks to parents to communicate about the day instead of leaving it up to the students to share the information
 - CRPD received kudos on the change in their website where link/button says Inclusion opposed to Disabled
2. SEDAC Chairperson
 - None
 3. SEDAC Members
 - None
 4. Site Concerns and Successes
 - NPHS – Sparkles Cheer Program is reaching out to younger grades. The afterschool program meets twice a week and participates/cheers at JV games. If interested please contact Cindy Levenson at jeffL2525@yahoo.com
 - Parent volunteers in special education classrooms. Per Lisa, this is allowable if teacher both wants and has volunteer opportunities available
 - Professional Development Suggestion for all teachers and administrators: Movie “Intelligent Lives” - highly recommended
 - Parent concern that students are promoted based on age opposed to social and emotional abilities
 5. CVUSD Assistant Superintendent, Student Support Services
 - The purpose of SEDAC is to help the District become better for all students
 - Inclusion in only one aspect of special education and not the main focus

II. Action Items - General

(Each item requires a motion for approval)

- A. None

III. Action Items – Consent

(These items are considered routine and will be approved in one action without discussion. If the SEDAC members request that an item be removed from Consent or a citizen wishes to speak to an item, the item will be considered under Action Items.)

- A. None

IV. Information/Discussion Items

(For discussion only; no action is taken on information items.)

- A. Ventura County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Community Advisory Committee. Parents of Special Education Students including speech only, resource and special class students. There is a lot of information and support available for you. For

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information visit www.vcsepa.org and click on “For Families”

- B. Rainbow Connection Library is available on line at <http://opac.libraryworld.com/opac/signin.php>
- C. Tri-Counties Regional Center’s Paid Internship Program (PIP) is available to job seekers served by Tri-Counties Regional Center. Please visit <http://rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com/register-now.html> for further information
- D. CAPS RADIO KPPQ 104.1 – Spotlight on Special Education Program on Tuesday and Friday mornings at 8:00 AM, Thursdays at 1:00 PM
- E. Leadership and Mentorship for Youth – Ventura County meeting is at Conejo Creek South Park Meeting Room (1300 E. Janss Road, Thousand Oaks), Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM To register go to ILRC-TRICO.org
- F. Country Hoedown for teens and young adults with special needs ages 13 – 22 years Friday, September 21, 2018 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM For more information visit <http://rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com/register-now.html>
- G. Halloween Social Dance for teens and young adults with special needs ages 13-22 Friday, October 19, 2018 Oxnard and Friday, October 26, 2018, Simi 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM For more information visit <http://rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com/register-now.html>
- H. Fall Transition Fair to help students ages 15-22 years old prepare for the quality adult life they envision. Wednesday, November 14, 2018 5:30 PM to 8:00 PM For more information visit www.vcsepa.org / Transition to Adult Life.
- I. CLU Autism Conference – “3rd Spectrum of Opportunity Conference” is Saturday, October 6, 2018 at 9:00 AM at CLU. Cost is \$90.00 per person. Information available at https://www.callutheran.edu/centers/autism/events/?event_id=4313
- J. Candidate Forum for CVUSD Board of Education, Thursday, September 27, 6:00 to 8:00 PM. at CLU Lunding Events Center/Gilbert Sports Center

V. Adjournment - General Meeting Session

- A. Meeting adjourned at 11:05 AM