

**Redwood School Site Council Minutes
May 17, 2022 via Zoom Meeting, 3:30 pm**

The meeting was called to order at 3:34 pm.

Members present: Nicole Judd, Paola Vargas, Dawn Jacobson, Laura Detweiler, Tracy Sims, Corine Musgrove, James Cook, Stacey Wasson, Zachary Snow, Greg Saltzberg, Roya Klaidman, Christine Evangelista, Carrie Halvorsen, Melissa Crawford, Rachael Brusseau, Margo Tameris, Chanise Spencer, Niki Wikstrom, Chakameh Azimpour and Shane Crawford (ASB).

Absent: Patricia Aguirre, Angie Biehl, Adam Payne, Rafael Rico and Lanisha Sunday.

I. Approval of the Minutes:

a. Melissa Crawford made a motion to approve the March 22, 2022 minutes. Stacey Wasson seconded the motion. Motion carried – March minutes were approved as read.

II. Public Comments: None.

III. Student Report: read by Shane Crawford (ASB)

1. Cases were decorated for April and May.
2. Classroom Rep Meetings were held April 1st and May 6th.
3. April and May Birthdays cards were distributed.
4. April and May Birthday Grams are being distributed throughout the month.
5. 6/7/8 ASB classes continued to work on May and June Publicity.
6. March Madness was the week of March 28th.
7. The Spring Social was April 1st.
8. COTY- Tie Day was April 29th.
9. LTA- 3-Legged Race was April 29th.
10. Earth Day was publicized and celebrated - Thank you PTSA.
11. Last COTY and LTA is planned for Friday, May 20th:
Hawaiian Day and Let's Do the Limbo.
12. A Pizza party will be awarded to the Semester 2 COTY Winners - will determine after Friday's COTY.
13. Asian American Pacific Islanders Heritage Month was publicized.
14. We celebrated Mrs. Hamiter for National Nurses Day.
15. Teacher Appreciation Week was celebrated the week of May 2nd.
16. Classified Appreciation Week is being celebrated this week.
17. School Tours continue.
18. Volunteers helped at Acacia Bingo Night, Friday, May 6th.
19. Volunteers helped at the Wildwood Sock Hop, Friday, May 13th.
20. 6th and 7th/8th ASB Applications were due April 1st.
21. 7th/8th grade ASB Applications were due April 8th.

22. 6th grade ASB Interviews took place May 2nd and May 3rd.

23. 7th/8th Interviews took place May 9th and 10th.

24. All applicants will be notified the week of June 6th.

25. Promotion Dance: Invitations have been distributed.

There will be a DJ/Photo Booth/ Food and Fun.
Decorations are underway.

26. Planning for Viking Camp is upcoming.

27. ASB will continue end of year publicity and for the beginning of the 2022-23 school year.

IV. Boys and Girls Club Report – No report provided as Rafael Rico was unable to attend.

V. New Business: None

VI. Committee Reports:

a. DAC (District Advisory Council) – Carrie Halvorsen

The following items were discussed –

1. There have been 2 DAC meetings since our last SSC.
2. LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee gave a presentation on April 12 – they shared a message regarding supporting vulnerable groups at the middle schools, and are in process of an effort to have all gender-specific pronouns removed from teachers' speech in our district, e.g. to use the word "children" instead.
3. Parents on the DAC oversaw changes to the Human Growth and Development program for K-6. Students are in process of viewing presentations by class, with follow-up discussions offered by boys and girls separately, or together.
4. The Health and Education committee has requested a review of the materials by the District for an update in the coming years.
5. There was a recommendation to have an ASB Inclusion Director to ensure that activities for events being offered at lunchtime are appropriate for children of all/different abilities to participate. It was inquired whether this is something that Mrs. Detweiler could facilitate, but more discussion is needed.
6. Middle School enrichment this summer will take place at Redwood in July.
7. Assistant Superintendent Kenny Loo shared that the District is continuing to discuss whether Outdoor School will be scheduled next year for 8th graders who would have missed this experience as incoming 6th graders due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
8. It was shared that the link to the Confidential Reporting form is available for all students on their Classlink and students should be encouraged to

- use this as needed.
9. AADAC provided a great presentation – they are working hard to change discriminating behavior in adults and students, and changing district policies. There is a lot more to be done, but they are happy with the discussions to date.
 10. Colina Middle School shared that they held a Science Olympiad. There were over 50 parent volunteers, a 5K run that participants needed to qualify for, and 1 mile run that all could participate in.

Following Carrie's DAC update, there were some questions during this SSC meeting from parents, regarding Enrichment in the month of July –

- Mrs. Judd explained that Redwood is the school site for Enrichment, however we are not in charge of this. This is supposed to be an opportunity for students who failed English and/or Math, in Quarter 1 or Semester 4. We are unsure at this time as to what is being offered but more information to come.
- Mrs. Judd also explained that Enrichment is not a required activity but students are given the opportunity to participate. It is supposed to be all day. High School students need summer enrichment in order to graduate, so there is more incentive for them to participate than for Middle School students.

- b. GATE DAC (Gifted and Talented Education District Advisory Council) – report provided by Melissa Crawford.
The last Gate DAC meeting took place on April 1, 2022. The following items were discussed -
 1. Redwood's own Mrs.Salvoski was recognized as a GATE Hero at the May GATE DAC, for her support of GATE students.
 2. 18 students attended the May 5 Breakout Boxes activity. The next activity will be on May 20 where there will be a presentation on coding.
 3. There will be a Tech conference on June 1 for 6th graders.
 4. The GATE meeting for new parents took place on May 11.
 5. GATE students will have the opportunity to get free LEAP ahead accounts this summer to keep practicing Math skills. This is mostly for Elementary students.
 6. There is a District-planned Rube Goldberg GATE activity scheduled for tomorrow, May 18, from 3:30-4:30pm. Stephanie Caswell shared information via email for this activity.
- c. ELAC (English Learning Advisory Council) – report provided by Paolo Vargas
The last ELAC meeting took place on April 26, 2022. The following items were discussed –
 1. Expanded learning opportunities program (ELOP) for TK-6. This would be regulator school day plus additional hours. 9 hours/school day + additional 30 days.

2. This summer, students will be invited to attend a summer learning camp which will be at Glenwood.
 3. The Boys and Girls Club will be offering summer programs from June 23 – July 15.
 4. Assistant Superintendent Kenny Loo discussed SPSA and school requirements.
 5. Dr. Reiser presented the process for the annual needs assessment for English Learners. This will start May 2 and close May 17. All parents are being encouraged to complete this. Parents' responses provide the District with information to improve and guide areas of strength and needs for our students who are English learners.
 6. Mrs. Vargas shared that English learners comprise about 30% of our Redwood student body.
 7. We are hoping to find one parent to be our ELAC representative for the next school year. Interested parents can reach out to Mrs. Judd and Mrs. Vargas.
- d. SEDAC (Special Education District Advisory Council) – report provided by Rachael Brusseau.
- The last SEDAC meeting took place this morning, May 17, 2022. Key points of discussion and updates were as follows –
1. Elections were held today for the new Executive Board for next year. Rachael will be serving as Parliamentarian.
 2. Next year's meeting calendar was reviewed – there will be 6 meetings. Meetings will be held in person at University Venter in the MPR (280 Atlas Rod, Thousand Oaks). General Meetings will be 9:15-11:30am with Executive Board meetings following the General meetings.
 3. There was a presentation by the Disabilities Celebration committee on the tool kit that was created. Feedback on the tool kit was discussed today. The committee will update and share the tool kit ahead of next year's celebrations.
 - For next school year, Rachael is interested in asking whether the team that created the toolkit can attend a Redwood SSC meeting and present before school events begin. The tool kit is generic and can be tailored to different school sites. Rachael believes it will be helpful to have an explanation of the tool kit from those that created it to specific parent groups, e.g. those that will be putting together the Disabilities Awareness event next year which Roya Klaidman will be leading.
 - Anyone with additional feedback or ideas for the committee is asked to please email co-chairs Jenny Crosby and LeeAnn Holland. The committee was thanked and appreciated for all the love, thoughtfulness and time that was put into creating this resource.

4. There are several summer opportunities for students with IEPs and 504s. A website is being created with all available options and will be available soon through the CVUSD webpage. Some options include Extended School Year (ESY), Credit Recovery for High School, general education-based summer programs, class ahead opportunities for incoming 9th and 10th graders and more.
 5. Dr. Miller provided an update for the Special Education program at Glenwood. The program has traditionally supported students with greater social-emotional needs. Next year there are only 2 identified students so the program is being dissolved and students will be supported at their home school.
 - o Acacia and Aspen have had similar SDC programs. Over the next few years, SDC classes will be at Aspen in order to give more opportunities for co-taught classes, more inclusive opportunities, and to better support the special education teachers. If parents have any concerns, they are encouraged to reach out to school site Principals for more information.
 6. The SELAC thanks Dr. Miller for her guidance and support. She has made a huge difference in the lives of CVUSD students and families and brought about change. Her contributions are greatly appreciated and her positive impact will help students and families for years to come. Dr. Miller is wished all the best. Her replacement has not been announced as yet.
- e. AADAC (African American District Advisory Council) – report provided by Niki Wikstrom.
- There have been 2 meetings since our last SSC meeting, with an update for the earlier meeting included in Mrs. Judd’s newsletter. At the most recent meeting in May, the following items were discussed -
1. Dr. Wilson provided a presentation about LCAP and SPSA. It is important that new AADAC members as part of a new DAC understand what the LCAP goals are, where they come from, and how what we are creating in the SPSA relate to these, as well as the process to request and receive funding for events related to African American and black children
 2. The AADAC Chairperson provided a slide deck presentation to the DAC showing what was covered this school year, including all of the presentations that were given. It was noted that students are still dealing with anti-black bias in our District schools. Black students are suspended at higher rates, getting Ds and Fs at higher rates, accessing honors courses and becoming college ready at lower rates than other non-black students.
 3. AADAC had prepared one presentation earlier in the year regarding hiring. The District mentioned that there has been some improvement in hiring practices. An update was to be provided next week regarding this. In our District as of January 2022, there are 8 black teachers out of 905, 2 black administrators and no black counselors or psychologists out of 63. AADAC has provided recommendations on where to recruit and hire from so that our

- kids can be sufficiently represented.
4. There is a no tolerance policy on anti-racial behavior and racial slurs – this remains the main focus of this committee.
 5. Chanise Spencer provided an update on the Black Student Union (BSU) at Redwood – she is excited about the partnership with Ms. Musgrove and Mr. Zasadil.
 - Ms. Musgrove has brought excitement, passion and commitment.
 - Some topics covered to date include the Harlem Renaissance, National Poetry Month, as well as topics such as microaggressions and implicit bias. About 7-12 students are attending on any given Wednesday, mostly allies. The BSU is hoping for more attendance from black and African American students. Nicki will be the guest speaker tomorrow and plans to give insights on how to deal with daily traumas we experience. All students are always welcome to attend.
- f. LGBTQ+ Advisory Council -
No report was provided as Margo was unable to attend last month's meeting.

VII. Principal Update:

Nicole Judd shared that the rest of this meeting will be dedicated to discussion of the SPSA and analysis of actions.

a. SPSA Action Analysis

Key points from summary and discussion are noted below –

- We were asked to look at our SPSA and the actions we have noted for each goal. Any DAC groups were advised to meet separately to review actions as applicable to their DAC, and anyone who would like to have a separate meeting is welcome to discuss anything that would not have been shared today.
- Prior to the meeting, SSC members were assigned to different goals and asked to review these. Breakout groups were formed during this SSC meeting look at SPSA actions that are currently in place with analysis of what worked and what could be improved upon. This is an opportunity for us to determine the success of what we implemented this year. Mrs. Judd assigned facilitators and notetakers for each breakout group with notetakers having ability to edit slides and note discussion points from the breakout session to be reviewed in the larger group.
- Detailed discussion points and recommended actions for each goal was documented for future reference in a Google Slides presentation. Below is a summary of assigned facilitators, notetakers and participants for discussion of each goal -
 - Goal 1 – Laura Detweiler (facilitator), Tracy Sims (notetaker), Greg S., Roya K.
 - Goal 2 – Stacey Wasson (facilitator), James Cook (notetaker),

Chakameh A., Rachael B.

- Goal 3 – Paola Vargas (facilitator), Carrie H., Melissa C.
- Goal 4 – Dawn Jacobson (facilitator), Corine Musgrove (notetaker), Chanise S., Margo T.
- Goal 5 – Nicole Judd (facilitator), Zach Snow (notetaker), Christine E. and Niki W.

- New SSC and DAC representatives are being actively sought and these will be finalized at the start of next school year. –
 - DAC – Carrie Halvorsen will remain as parent representative.
 - AADAC – Chanise Spencer will serve as parent representative. Thank you to Niki for all of her work this past year!
 - GATE DAC – Melissa Crawford will remain as parent representative.
 - SEDAC – Racheal Brusseau will be on the Executive Board. Confirmation is needed as to whether she will still be able to serve as our SEDAC parent representative.
 - LGBTQ+ Advisory Council – we will need a new parent representative. Thank you to Margo for all of her work this past year!
 - SSC – Another Chairperson will be needed. Thank you to Greg for being our Chairperson for the past years!

VIII. Assistant Principal Update:

Due to length of discussion around SPSA Action Analysis, no update was given at this meeting.

IX. Dean of Activities Update:

Due to length of discussion around SPSA Action Analysis, no update was given at this meeting.

X. Old Business: None

XI. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 5:07pm.