

Conejo Valley Unified School District
 Student Support Services
 Multilingual Learners and Equity

DISTRICT ENGLISH LANGUAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes

November 30, 2021 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Zoom Meeting

<p><u>DELAC Representatives</u> Acacia - Raquel Iniguez Acacia Alternate - Carolina Zuniga Aspen - Carlos Guzman Banyan - Yamila Sosa Conejo Elem - Carina Pivaral Conejo Elem - Maria Costumbre Cypress - Gladys Koscak EARTHs - Liliana Diaz Glenwood - Carmen Escalante Ladera STARS Academy - Evelyn Delgado Madroña - Rosa Lima Maple - Lucely Duarte Sycamore - Gulnihal Ertugrul Walnut - Irene Alvarez Weathersfield - Alma G Molina Valenciana Westlake Elem - Katrin Bergauer Westlake Hills Elem Alternate- Alejandro Tellez Westlake Hills Elem - Patricia Torres Wildwood - Dzmitry Akva Colina - Rocio Rangel Colina - Maria E. Costumbre Los Cerritos - Carmen Medina Redwood Alternate - Eulalia Soriano TOHS- Helena Krostag WHS- Sonia Avalos</p>	<p><u>Staff</u> Dr. Ricardo Araiza, Director of Multilingual Learners and Equity Paola Navarro, Secretary Susie Stanziano, Senior Office Assistant Gary Bradbury, Director of Safety and Risk Management Erica Ultreras, Principal Conejo Elementary Dr. Lisa Miller, Assistant Superintendent of Student Support Services Shauna Ashmore, Director of Student Support Services</p> <p><u>DELAC Representatives NOT Present</u> Lang Ranch - Bella Zhou Redwood - Patricia Aguirre Sequoia - Ana Garcia NPHS - Haruhiko Casey Ohya & Anna Ohya</p> <p><u>Alternate DELAC Rep. Not Present</u> Banyan Alternate - Vivean Lucio EARTHs Alternate - Claudia Mantilla Glenwood Alternate - Maria Garcia Glenwood Alternate - Angelica Tun Maple Alternate - Andrea Pinto Walnut Alternate - Sara Zamora</p>
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I. Opening Provisions

- A. Dr. Ricardo Araiza, Director of Multilingual Learners and Equity, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Approval of Agenda

- D. Motion to approve the agenda as presented; agenda approved by Carina Pivaral and seconded by Liliana Diaz

II. Reports

A. District Advisory Committee (DAC) Report

- Student reporters at high schools are now reporting at school board meetings. They are giving insights on what goes on at high schools.
- Conejo Elementary School will start the first Dual Language Immersion program for kindergarten students in August 2022. It's a huge undertaking for the school and the staff. Parents can request a school choice for Dual Language Program.
- School Choice is also available for teachers so they can choose the school that works best for their families.
- SEL (Social Emotional Learning) Curriculum has been added to the LCAP and at schools.
- 60 mins per week (TK-8), 45 mins per week (9-12)
- Stanford Harmony Program used in elementary schools.
- Middle schools will work on 4 different units (Mindset & Goals, Bullying & Harassment, Thoughts, Emotions & Decisions, Managing Relationships & Social Conflict).
- Covid quarantine has been reduced to 7 days with a negative test on day 5 after the student has been exposed.
- 2 new Advisory Council members have been added to DAC and School Sites - LGBTQ + and African American (AADAC) to provide support to the communities.
- The laws of the Brown and Greene Act need to be changed: At the beginning of Covid, the state of California allowed all District meetings to be held electronically, this ended at the end of September 2021. We can get an extension to continue doing electronically held meetings for 30 days. We looked into that for our school, and it looks like the School Site council falls under the Greene Act and is excluded from that but waiting to hear back from DAC.
- Presentation on Social Emotional Learning by Kenny Loo

B. Community Outreach Committee (C.O.C) Report –No report

C. School Reports (By-laws Article VII, Standing Rules Article II)

- **Acacia** – No report
- **Aspen** – No report
- **Banyan** - No report
- **Conejo** – No report
- **Cypress** - action plans have been put together for our English learners. We will also be having some tech training for our teachers so they can be better prepared to use the available platforms to support our English learner students.
- **EARTHS** –

- o Our ELAC meeting was held last week and we had good attendance from parents.
- o Information was broadly provided on the purpose of ELAC, the budget and its designation.
- o Parents were also invited to nominate the new ELAC representatives from the campus (Dayana Garcia and Patricia Mendoza).
- o We were given the information about IPT and SPSA
- o The importance of volunteering for school activities and requirements was highlighted.
- **Glenwood** – No report
- **Ladera** –
 - o Our first ELAC meeting was on 07/10/21. We had a presentation by Mrs. Lilian Mendoza. She did a presentation called “Standing out of my Comfort Zone”.
 - o We will continue with the Cafecito at the Jardin on Mondays at 8:15am.
 - o On Friday 10/29/21 we will have our Halloween activity The Big Boo.
- **Lang Ranch** - No report
- **Madrona** –
 - o Hispanic Heritage month exhibition is October 14-22.
 - o Madrona started an after-school kindergarten intervention program.
 - o Unity Day is October 20. Wear and share orange to prevent bullying, promote kindness, acceptance and inclusion.
 - o Red Ribbon Week is October 23-31
 - o Family stories is a 10-week parent workshop that starts on Monday, October 25 at 5:00 pm.
 - o Fall festival is Wednesday October 27 from 4:30-7:30pm.
 - o Madrona will be recognizing Abilities Awareness on Nov 1.
- **Maple** –
 - o Great News: On September 29, we had our first parenting class at our new Maple Mariposa Parent Center. We learned about Zoom. These parenting classes are planned to be held once a month.
 - o On October 12, we had a parent social at the Maple Mariposa Parent Center. This meeting was only for the parents to meet and make a craft during the meeting

and then bring materials to do the same craft with the children at home. Like parenting classes, these social gatherings will be held once a month.

- o From October 18 to 22 in collaboration with SEDAC and our Counselor, we celebrated UNITY WEEK by wearing different outfits every day during this week, we encourage kindness, acceptance and inclusion. UNITY WEEK promotes the fight against bullying, which is why Maple focuses on what we want students to do and how we want to treat each other.
- o On Wednesday, October 20, we had a visit from some of the board of education members as well as other school district leaders to our Unity Parade.

ELAC Updates:

- o Our ELAC meeting was held on September 28
- o We met Dr. Araiza (Director, Multilingual Learners and Equity)
- o We had a Presentation on - What is ELAC?
- o We elect and voted for our new ELAC Committee
- o We talked about Parent Education and Engagement, New Maple Mariposa Parent Center and the new Outreach Position
- o Discussed Family and School Connections as well as Smore and how to access it
- **Sycamore** – No report
- **Walnut** - No report
- **Weathersfield** –
 - o Our next school site Council will be held on October 27.
 - o ELAC Updates: we discussed the Initial ELPAC, Wednesday Eagle Flyer, Imagine Learning/Smarty Ants, Tutoring Options, Masks and Parent/Teacher Conferences
- **Westlake Elem** -
 - o Enrollment is down.
 - o We added a new member to School Site Council for African American District Advisory Committee
 - o First ELAC meeting was held on October 20th, but no one participated.
 - o We currently have 25 EL students at WLE.
 - o Recess zones have extended, so now all First-grade kids can play together during recess. Lunch breaks are still with their own class.
- **Westlake Hills** –
Committee:

- o First ELAC meeting was held on September 29th. It was the first meeting with the new principal Mr. Niemczyk. In this first meeting, the principal explained to families the main goals of ELAC and DELAC. Families can be in contact with the school: attend parent/teacher conferences, get to know the teachers, be part of parent committees and volunteer programs.
- o On October 19th, SSC meeting was held. In this meeting, reports of different committees were reviewed.
- o The Next ELAC meeting will be on October 27th.

School Activities:

- o Parent conference week was held from October 11 - 15.
 - o Coat Drive led by PFA was held from October 18 - 22. The school collected coats and gently used items to help students in need.
 - o On October 15th, the school held its Unity Day Celebration with a special assembly. The goal of this assembly was to bring attention to Bullying Prevention by promoting kindness, acceptance and inclusion. Parents were invited to join and watch from the covered lunch area.
 - o On Friday, October 22nd, we celebrated our family movie night on the playground of the school.
 - o On October 29th we will be having a Halloween Parade. There will be a viewing for adults that would like to attend.
- **Wildwood** - No report
 - **Colina** - No report
 - **Los Cerritos** - No report
 - **Redwood** - No report
 - **Sequoia** - No report
 - **NPHS** – No report
 - **TOHS** - No report
 - **WHS** - No report
 - **CVHS** - No report

D. Public Comments

- a. No public comments emailed.
- b. 5th grade doing “Stand Proud” again this year
- c. Fulcrum event happening in Spring

III. Information/Discussion Items

A. Presentation: Covid and Vaccinations Updates

- a. Mr. Bradbury discussed the following items
 - Vaccination mandate following FDA full approval. Students will be required to be fully vaccinated for in person learning for the next school year (more information will be provided)
 - Mandate will apply to any pupil(s) attending any public or private elementary or secondary school

B. Presentation: Dual Language Immersion Program by Dr. Araiza, Director of Multilingual Learners and Equity and Ms. Ultreras, Conejo Elementary Principal

- o Shared personal experience with DLI
- o Teachers will receive training and learn strategies on how to work with students in the DLI program

Ms. Ultreras shared the following:

- o Shared sample schedule of a student in a DLI program
- o Shared video on benefits of joining DLI program and advantages for the students who experience the program
- o 2 kindergarten classes will be offered with a max of 23 students
- o Parents must commit their child(ren) to 6 years in the program
- o Enrollment is not guaranteed, students will be selected

C. Presentation: DELAC Roles and Responsibilities by Dr. Ricardo Araiza, Director of Multilingual Learners and Equity

- a. Dr. Araiza explained the board member roles.

D. Nominating Committee Process presented by Mrs. Shauna Ashmore, Director of Student Support Services.

E. Information: Parent Representatives Needed

- a. Budget/LCAP Committee
 - Meetings are held every month for 90 minutes
 - Next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2021 from 3:30 p.m.to 5:00 p.m.
 - An email will be sent with additional information.

- b. Dual Language Immersion Stakeholder Committee
 - Meetings will be held for 60 minutes every six weeks
 - Meetings will be scheduled the week of October 25
 - An email will be sent with additional information.

IV. Action Items - General

- o None

V. Action Items – Consent

- o Review and Approval of the Minutes
- o Alma Molina and seconded by Evelyn Delgado

VI. Adjournment

- Next Meeting January 25, 2022.
- Meeting Adjourned at 11:15 a.m.