



FONTANA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Educational Services
Categorical Programs

Superintendent's Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes

May 25, 2005

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS – CALI OLSEN

Cali introduced all District Office Directors and their respective departments. She indicated that Dennis Barnett from Child Welfare & Attendance, and Teresa Barnett from Staff Development were on vacation. Also introduced to the committee was Linda Young, Fontana Teachers President.

Ms. Olsen introduced new principals to the District, Mr. Paul Pagano for Truman Middle; and Mr. Greg Fromm for Almeria Middle. She welcomed them to our district.

Ms. Olsen also introduced newly appointed administrators. Mr. Ken Decroo who is currently at Truman Middle and will be at Dorothy Grant; and Mr. Gorge Santiago who is currently at Juniper Elementary and will be at Oleander. In addition, Ms. Olsen introduced newly appointed Director of Elementary Core Curriculum, Mr. Oscar Duenas. Ms. Olsen introduced Marc Aponte, Interim Principal of Live Oak Elementary School.

Cali also thanked Ceci Cabrera and Corrina Santiago for support staff, and Maria Arroyo for interpretation of the meeting.

2. APPROVE MINUTES – LAURA CAMACHO

SAC President, Laura Camacho asked that everyone read the minutes and to make certain there are no mistakes.

Ms. Camacho asked for a motion to approve the April 6th minutes
Sue from Sierra Lakes motioned to approve the April 6th minutes.
Sue Picket 2nd the motion.
Motion carried. None opposed.

Ms. Camacho mentioned that Lori Chavez newly elected secretary for committee will be resigning her position. The second runner-up will take position.

3. DISTRICT GOALS – DR. MILLIGAN

Everyone was given a copy of the district goals that have been board approved. We will be going over the goals in the upcoming months. The important thing is how we as parents, teachers, and administrators respond to the goals and what is the next step. We want the parents and staff to decide how to address each goal.

We will be seeing what things come in to the board. Some things may come through as implementing Goal #1, but few things are coming in for Goal #2. Principals will submit updates bi-weekly on how they are doing on goals. 1 page, 12-pt. At the end of June, will we report to the board the quantitative data on how goals have been attained. Principals will come to parents and community for help in developing strategies. Goals are on website.

Will be submitting a bond to the board in June. A parent asked why there were only 180 seats for GATE students when 300 are identified. Answer: We are allowed to service so many students. Things take about 1-2 years to remedy even if it's a small thing to fix. *Question: How are you going to ensure kids will be safe in school?* Dr. Milligan recited the A. B. Miller incident about weapon on campus and the steps taken to notify all parents. He commented that you are your child's first teacher that talking to kids is a way to make schools safer. Dr. Milligan will ask principals to prove to him that they had done (for example) Goal #2. He wants to see quantitative evidence that you have completed goals. He is giving them the power and responsibility.

4. CHILD NUTRITION – SHERRI GIBSON

Sherri Gibson, Assistant Director of Child Nutrition brought a sample handout of an elementary and secondary menu. Child Nutrition generates around \$16 million dollars which they use to purchase food, pay for salaries, gas and water expenses. A question was raised from the audience about kids with dairy allergies. *Answer: Will now have soy milk for kids to choose instead. If kids are lactose intolerant, give them a note to give the operator to receive alternate product.*

Statement from audience: I know you can't tell kids what healthy foods to choose.

Response: Posters are displayed to promote healthy food choices. Teachers can talk to students before they go to lunch. This helps students as they go through the lunch line. Child Nutrition does trainings at school sites. Call their main office for sites to set-up trainings. *Question: Is there MSG? Answer: No.*

5. ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT TO THE CONSOLIDATED \ PROGRAMS COMMITTEES

Ms. Camacho asked for a motion to accept appointment to the consolidated programs advisory committee(s) and Parent committees.

Maria Zambrano motioned motion to accept appointment to the consolidated programs advisory committee(s) and Parent committees.

Martha Carranza 2nd the motion.

Motion carried. None opposed.

6. CALIFORNIA CARES – GAIL GRANT

We are working with the State department in elementary schools for Tsunami relief. Donations of new and used art supplies for children and teachers.

7. SMALLER LEARNING COMMUNITY GRANTS – GAIL GRANT

Three high school have applies for grants. \$4.5 million to support freshman reading program, classes in small communities and staff development. FOHI, Kaiser and Miller are applying for grant.

8. WILLIAMS LAWSUIT – STEVE DESIST

American Civil Liberties Union filed lawsuit against three districts in California. Fontana was not one. Occurred while Davis was in office. The lawsuit claimed that the state failed to provide poor and underprivileged students with equal educational opportunities. Allegations were: inadequate facilities, lack of sufficient educational tools, and lack of credential teachers. Thus far, 13 schools have been inspected.

9. BUDGET OVERVIEW – RICHARD STEDRY

In the process of finalizing 1st draft budget. Next year we anticipated on getting \$300 million, which is a little more than last year because of enrollment. Budget committee members will get a letter for meeting next Thursday at 9 am at the district office and should only be about 60-mintes.

10. CALENDAR – YOLANDA MENDOZA

Thank you to those for volunteering. We will draw names to have three representatives each from elementary, middle, and high schools.

11. CONSOLIDATED APPLICATION – CAL OLSEN

Consolidated application is submitted to State to apply for funding we get. This is the time of year.

Ms. Olsen asked for a motion to submit Consolidated Application for 2005-06 funding.

Jennifer Huber motioned to submit Consolidated Application for 2005-06 funding.

Maria Ortiz 2nd the motion.

Motion carried. None opposed.

12. JUNE MEETING – CALI OLSEN

Sierra Lakes is not able to accommodate a June meeting because of a golf tournament. She spoke with Ms. Camacho about meeting in mid-September for new school year. Committee voted to hold meetings in morning but would like to hold some evening meetings to go over what was discussed in the morning meeting.

Plants were randomly raffled off to those attendees who had a green agenda.

13. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

Statement from audience: Thank you to all security personnel

Question: Why can't 8th grade students take 9th grade classes in summer? Answer: 9th graders get served first because it's remedial.

Statement from audience: Can't leave the job of how to respect people to the teachers. The job starts at home and that parents are their child's first teacher.

Question: What about DARE program? Answer: It's a school site decision. The DARE program is not approved by the state. Cannot use federal and state money to pay for program.

Question: What about rolling black-outs in the district? Answer: Same procedure implemented last time. District will be notified.

Question: How do we ensure the safety of our children with child molesters? Answer: A list of registered offenders can be found at Meganlaw.com, or public library. District can only go so far as to stay away from litigation. Check with Chief Reshaaw.

Ms. Camacho asked for a motion to adjourn meeting at 11:33 am. Ann McClellian motioned to adjourn meeting. Carla Del Rio seconded the motion. Motion carried.