

**Pittsburg Unified School District
DAC and DELAC 2/12/2019**

Present:

Foothill: Adriana Medina, Aidee Cisneros

Heights: Yazmin Cano, Martha Torres

Highlands: Monica Vallejo

Los Medanos: Dulce Bernal, Alexis Muela

Parkside: Claudia Barrera, Kelly Andrade

Willow Cove: María Chavez, Silvia Portillo

Stoneman: Martha Carabantes, Alma Rodríguez

Marina Vista: Laura Rodríguez, Tasharie Ameral

Hillview JH: Yazmin Cano, Martha Torres, Martha Carabantes, Alma Rodríguez, Johanni Benítez (Student)

Rancho Medanos JH: Adriana Medina, Elvia Gracían, Marion Barnor, Sussana Sudieh

MLK, Jr, JH: María Zárata, Laura Rodríguez

PHS: Martha Torres, Martha Carabantes, María Chávez, María Zárata

Black Diamond High:

PUSD and Ed Services: Dr. Janet Schulze, Eileen Chen, Sandra Guardado, Shelley Velasco, Lorena Asdourian

Welcome and Introductions. Mrs. Sandra Guardado welcomed everyone and introduced Mrs. Eileen Chen. Mrs. Tasharie Ameral, our DAC president called the meeting to order. Parents introduced themselves.

2018-2019 Consolidated Application Reporting (CARS). Eileen Chen.

Mrs. Chen started the CARS (Consolidated Application & Reporting System) Reports Presentation and Mrs. Chen mentioned that twice a year she comes to these two groups DAC and DELAC for this presentation and for LCAP. The presentation is similar last year. ‘We consolidate the funding sources we receive: Title I, Title II, and Title III (English Learners and Immigrants.)

Mrs. Chen continued and mentioned, this slide is new, I want you to see how much money we received the last two years. These funds are additional to what we already get.

A question was made by Mrs. Barrera: Is there a cap for the amount, I see it is dropping? Yes, Mrs. Chen answered. I will explain, I need you to see the numbers of students from last year. Title III for example, since Sandra has been here, we have been doing a good job reclassifying students and that’s why the funds are going down.

Title I is to support the low income students. For these funds they are reducing the funds for the Title I. That does not mean that we have less students. It has changed the way the state is giving the funds.

A comment was made” At Hillview, we had the ELAC and Mrs. Leber mentioned that in the next three years, we will have less funding, because less students are enrolling.

The decrease of enrollment is at the elementary levels. Stoneman as an example, the 4th grade classes averages at 24 and Marina maybe 34. The elementary as a whole is not crowded. The impact you can see in the elementary, we have 138 students less than last year. It is a general example, we are about 130 students less than we projected. We were hoping for Stoneman’s, new complex housing, we were going to get more students but the people moving in were already in the districts, only 7 new families.

Comment from a Stoneman mom. There are 4 teachers at the fourth grade level, and the 5th grade classes are bigger because we only have 3 teachers. Will this affect when they have the charter schools? A mom from Stoneman asked. Eileen commented that “Making Waves” a charter school, has schools in Richmond, we denied their request to have a school in our district but the county approved it. They are expected to open in fall 2020.

On January 31, the state released a list of schools that are CSI (Comprehensive Support and Improvement). Title I schools. This will not impact this, we probably received more funds to support the students.

Mrs. Gracían asked: What do you mean when you say support? Academic Support.

Title I is Comprehensive Support and Improvement and it could be academic achievement. Mrs. Chen mentioned that she could present it next month.

What kind of strategies are we going to do to assist the schools or maybe is not the schools but the parents. Mrs. Chen mentioned that at the high school they are using strategies during the classes. This is good, next month you can tell us and help us with suggestions. Mrs. Chen also mentioned that in the high school, for next year, she is expecting a higher performance.

A mom from Stoneman asked: Will the state do something to help and give more funds to the schools that are low.

Mrs. Chen: We received more funds does not mean improvement, it depends how they are using the funds. She showed the table with the list of the schools and how much each school received. There are funds in the schools, the schools have been getting help.

Mrs. Chen talked about the three programs and she mentioned that not all goes to the sites.

For the districts: what have we used. Title I is for low income students, 70 % of students in our schools. You see, the funds are used to supplement the academic achievement in ELA.

There are state indicators in ELA and math. In this area, we can help also the others areas to increase the achievement. We have a pilot program at Heights to see how to manage the intervention program. Mrs. Chen continued. We will talk about this in the May meeting. This is the evaluation the district has. This is a summary on how we have used the funds for Title I. In May we will show you and decide what to do. These funds are attached to the Schools Site Council. This information is available to you.

A question by Mrs. Gracián, Is it possible that the Parent's Club can participate? Do I have rights as a parent, yes, as parents you have rights. The committee is "the School Site Council". You can be member of both.

A clarification was made: It is not the Parents Club it is the "School Site Council". You may not have voting rights. You can attend, and give suggestions. Someone commented, that a parent at Rancho Medanos, Jr. High belongs to the Parents Club and also to the School Site Council.

How many meetings are the School Site Council supposed to have? Someone asked. Mrs. Chen mentioned at least 4 times a year. We are talking about the funds, at the end of the day, for the kids. Mrs. Chen mentioned she would be happy to meet with this parent.

Reports for current year and last two years were shown. Title II. Professional development for teachers or administrators. Someone asked: Do schools Sites, receive these funds from Title II and Title III either? No.

For Title III, There are two, we get funds for English Learners and a small amount for the immigrant students. There were question on Title II by Mrs. Tasharie Ameral. I know that the school site, does not receive these funds, but is there is a professional development that we would like to attend. Would it be from this pot of money? It depends, Mrs. Chen answered. We have sent at least 30 teachers with the partnership with Silicon Valley Math Initiative. Ask your principal, there are certain initiatives that we can use this funds.

Question by Mrs. María Zárate answered by Mrs. Sandra Guardado. Do the schools that have Dual Language Immersion, get additional funding? They do not get additional funding. They come to collaborate, they are sent to CAFE California Association for Bilingual Education Conference.

The schools do not receive additional funds, it is professional development for the teachers. We have meeting every month, where we collaborate. Willow Cove, has the highest Hispanic population or EL. We are supporting with West Ed, and they are learning strategies on how to teach them.

Mrs. Chen continued: **LCFF. Local Control Funding Formula.** She showed the slide where it shows the Base amount per student plus the Grade Level and demographic adjustments.

Mrs. Chen mentioned: How do you provide feedback? We have LCAP Community Meetings:

- February 27, 2018
 - 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Elks Lodge
 - 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM – District Office
- March 20, 2018
 - 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM – Elks Lodge
 - 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM – District Office
 - Future meetings for staff input - TBD

There are a lot of opportunities to give feedback. Questions?

Comments suggestions, Mrs. Alma Rodríguez of Stoneman. If you come to Stoneman and Hillview and present what we can do, we can work with the schools personnel.

Mrs. Dulce Bernal commented, that she wanted to congratulate Mrs. Chen, because this presentation was easier to understand.

Dr. Janet Schulze, our Superintendent came earlier to the meeting and then she addressed the members of DAC and DELAC.

The schools will also made presentations also for teachers and their ELACs. She mentioned that she had a favor to ask the members. With all the activities, the state is not going to give more funds anymore. We have to look how we are expending the funds. We need support and it is important that we get a great turn out now to the community and your schools committees so you can have your voice. All the representative of the schools will have the opportunity to voice their concerns.

We need a budget committee, we need representatives from the DAC and DELAC, so we need someone to help us. The Committee will be formed with teachers, parents and members of the community and staff. You will learn in more detailed. For this committee, we need to have people to meet until next year. This year we will meet for maybe three times. We have a new governor, and we do know if the funding will change. We will probably meet on Monday night or Wednesday night. The first one will be at the beginning of March. I will come back also to DAC and DELAC to talk about the way we manage the budget.

Is there a criteria to be a member? Each of the Board Members, had selected someone they knew, and they want DELAC and DAC.

The following people put their name to volunteer for the Budget Committee:

- Tasharie Ameral, teacher at Marina Vista and DAC president, Alma Rodríguez, Stoneman for DAC.
- María Zárate, DELAC
- Dulce Bernal, DELAC and ELAC at Los Medanos
- María Chávez, DELAC and Willow Cove ELAC and PHS ELAC.

Do you have specific dates, the first one may be at the beginning of March, from 5:30 to 7:30.

Dr. Schulze thanked the parents and committee members.

DAC president tabled that Minutes for the January 15, 2019 would be approved at the next meeting. DAC members left and DELAC continue.

ELAC Reports:

Foothill: Mr. Cisneros reported.

- Working on a school-wide initiative to improve daily attendance.
- Appreciate that parents feel more welcomed at the school due to the changes in the admin team. The office and teaching staff are more welcoming than before.

Heights. Mrs. Martha Torres reported.

- Meeting held on January 17th.
- Were informed about new intervention program (95%) that identifies the reading level of the students and target groups are created to meet the individual needs of the students.
- Reviewed Safety and Emergency drill information.

Highlands. Mrs. Monica Vallejo reported.

- Next meeting scheduled for February 20th.
- In the last meeting, school safety was discussed and protocols were reviewed.
- Discussed ideas to prepare and motivate students on upcoming state testing.
- Talked about how to improve school attendance.

Los Medanos. Mrs. Dulce Bernal reported.

- Meeting held on January 18th and had a baby shower for Mrs. Aguirre
- Ms. Nicole Glassel was introduced as the person who would take over for Mrs. Aguirre during her maternity leave
- Discussed upcoming testing schedule (ELPAC and CAASPP) – were given information regarding the website elpac.org that has information and resources for students to complete practice tests for ELPAC
- Parents of students who met Reclassification Criteria are receiving notification
- Parent Liaison, Silva Saucedo, provides students and parents with computer access after school for students to use Imagine Learning or complete ELPAC practice tests
- 5th grade is concentrating on preparing students for upcoming tests (CAASPP; ELA, Math, and Sciece (CAST)).

Marina Vista. No report made.

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- Ms. Claudia Barrera, Parent Liaison, shared her experience at the CABA Conference in Sacramento.

Stoneman: Mrs. Alma Rodriguez reported.

- Did not have a meeting in January.
- ELAC members that attended CABA are working with Mrs. Rose Aguilar, Parent Liaison, to prepare presentation about what they learned at CABA to share with members next month.

Willow Cove: Mrs. Silvia Portillo reported.

- Meeting scheduled for this upcoming Thursday, February 14th.
- Upcoming events; vision and asthma clinic and Art Night.
- After school intervention and supports available for students.
- Attendance recognition to motivate students
- 5th grade won the Attendance Award for the highest attendance in January

Hillview: Mrs. Jasmin Cano reported.

- Meeting held on January 22nd, 2019.
- Mrs. Leber talked about the School Plan.
- Mr. Lucido talked about The School Safety Plan.
- Mrs. Aragon talked about Puente Program.
- Information presented on how school funds are being spent.
- Discussed the importance of school attendance.
- The Restorative Justice Facilitator shared a program with parents on How to Communicate with Teenagers. Invited parents to attend workshop.

MLK, Laura Rodriguez Reported.

- Discussed school attendance and ways to improve daily attendance.
- School had Parent Conferences
- Nutritional classes every Wed. at 8:30 – Healthy eating options

Rancho Medanos. Mrs. Elvia Gracián reported.

- Meeting on January 18, Adriana Ruiz, COST coordinator did a presentation on Mental Health.
- Meeting on February 1 the SRO had a presentation on drugs and the impact and effects of drug usage. She also discussed warning signs and ways to have conversations with teenagers.

Members asked how they could go about getting this information shared with students. They stated that they appreciated knowing that information but feel that it is important that the students are exposed to that kind of information and images to help them think about their choices. Other topics that the members would like to see students having presentations on is How to handle bullying and how to help prevent bullying. Mrs. Guardado reminded the members the importance of communicating with their school administrators and sharing these types of ideas and presentation requests at their site meetings (ELAC and School Site Council).

Mrs. Alma Rodriguez shared that Hillview had a Kindness Campaign. It was organized by Mrs. Aragon, one of the school counselors.

PHS. Mrs. María Zarate. And Mrs. Martha Carabantes reported.

- Reviewed the process for Uniform Complain
- Discussed campus safety and emergency protocols
- Presentation by Mr. Jose Garcia, UC representative, on How to Apply to College (all the requirements) and How to Apply for Financial Aid (scholarships). He is available in B-201 from 8 AM – 4 PM to meet with students and parents.
- Parent Meeting for 10th and 11th graders to go over graduation requirements and upcoming tests.

The minutes for the January 14 meeting will be reviewed and approved at upcoming meeting.

Next meeting will be on March 12 with DAC.