

# CCA SSC Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2017

**Attendance:** Mary Christensen, Karen Burrows, Jessica Adams, Bernard Steinberger, Brett Killeen, Samiya Rana, Rajit Agarwal, Melody Li, Shawdi Sani, Ying Yang, Jill Duoto, Chiara Luna, Mark Van Over, Mark Choudhari

**Not in attendance:** Dustin Lackey, Marianne Tan

Melody Li called meeting to order at 3:17. Jill Duoto motioned to approve minutes from October 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting; seconded by Chiara Luna; unanimously approved.

Brett Killeen suggested we delay the **Admin Report** by Superintendent Eric Dill until after the ASB Report.

**ASB Report--Melody Li** gave the update for ASB. The upcoming Winter Formal theme is “Welcome to the Jungle”, which will be held January 13<sup>th</sup> at 7-10pm at the San Diego Zoo. The Dodge Ball tournament will be held before winter break. Raven Idol auditions were held last week. Next week will be the Board & Brew Mystery. Amazing Club Race for all school sponsored clubs was held—top 3 clubs get money prizes. Next week \$1 Frosty Grams will be open.

**District SSC Update--Parent Mary Christensen** attended her first district meeting; she reported on the upcoming curriculum change coming for Science. The State of California is pulling back from science content and moving towards an applied base for science, integrating Earth Space into other sciences instead of as a separate class. All students will take all three science classes—biology, chemistry, physics—focusing on Science practices, engineering practices. The earth/space course will no longer be offered but will have its content embedded in the other three courses. Next state testing of 11<sup>th</sup> graders will cover all three subjects. The NGSS presentation overview will be added to website. Also, a new team has been assembled for SPED students to determine strategic and specific plan to be proposed by district. Mr. Van Over shared the progress of the task force. Focus is now on the plan for the district as a whole.

## **New Business:**

**SSC Bylaws--** Bernard Steinberger shared that there will be a 3 year minimum to keep a record of bylaws and it has been determined that the maximum term for committee volunteers will be two consecutive terms for a maximum of 4 years. Records of minutes will be saved in the Assistant Principals' office. Bylaws were reviewed. Jessica Adams motioned to approve; Mark Van Over seconded motion; vote was unanimous to approve.

**SPSA Process Update--**Principal **Brett Killeen** gave the update, covering changes in evaluation standards—such as API scores—moving towards a new system called “Dashboard” which will be going live in the next few weeks. Mr. Killeen shared a chart comparing test scores for Smarter Balanced Test Results for 2016/2017, giving some possible insights for score fluctuations especially compared with AP testing. Mark Van Over added that EAP testing can be used for assessment purposes for college placement in math and English classes. Brett also gave insights into the English Language Learner program. Garry Thornton will act as the ELAC coordinator in March; parent Yin Yang will attend meeting as well. Brett went on to give an update on Vision/Mission/Values work

being done at CCA. Two representative groups will be used to draft Vision/Mission/Values statements going forward.

**Admin Report:** Brett introduced our **Superintendent, Eric Dill**, who gave the committee an overview of the background of and progress of changes to the California Voting Rights Act. Under Education Code, when the Board gets to the end of the process, the requirement is to put it to a vote of the Board. Our district has decided to apply for a waiver to avoid the possibility of litigation. The State Board of Education would need to approve. Parent Jill Duoto asked the Superintendent to give the pros and cons of changing to the new system of voting areas. Eric explained that the new system of mapping might give more voice to under-represented minorities within the district. The downside could potentially be that trustees could become territorial of their area schools to the detriment of the general population. Boundaries will be looked at again after the census in 2020. This Voting Rights Act has addressed the lack of representation of various communities in other areas in California. Mr. Dill explained that next Thursday the Board will decide on the Trustee area maps and that community input is encouraged at [cvra@sduhsd.net](mailto:cvra@sduhsd.net).

#### **Public Comment/Next Meeting:**

**Bernard Steinberger** asked that we review the SPSA for discussion at the next meeting. Melody Li recommended February 26<sup>th</sup> as the date for our next Site Council. Request made by Mary Christensen to include discussion on Naviance and possible replacement programs. Bernard Steinberger stated that it may be replaced as a site to help students submit applications to college. Parents had concerns about teachers missing deadlines. Additionally, it is a lot of work for teachers. Ms. Yang asked if there is a way to help teachers. Mr. Steinberger mentioned that admin will work with teachers on best practices to make the process more efficient. Limits are possible. Could ask students to ask teachers in the Spring. The council brainstormed other ideas. Chiara Luna recommended investigating ways to help teachers impacted by the volume of Letters of Recommendation being requested for college applicants. The next SSC meeting will be 3:15 on Monday, February 26, 2018

Meeting Adjournment: Melody Li requested that we adjourn meeting. Motion to approve by Mark Van Over; seconded by Mark Choudhari; unanimously approved. Meeting adjourned at 4:29.