



APPROVED

January 20, 2016

Liz Tashma, CAC Chairperson

Date

COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes

November 18, 2015

6:15 P.M. Networking 6:30- 8:30 P.M. Meeting

North County Regional Education Center

255 Pico Avenue, First Floor, San Marcos, CA 92069



- I. Welcome and Introductions – Liz Tashma, CAC Chairperson
 - a. Meeting commenced at 6:40 pm.
 - b. Families and staff are encouraged to attend CAC meetings in person to participate in the discussions, ask questions, meet others, and find resources. For those unable to attend, meetings are filmed to make them accessible. Meeting videos are posted in English and Spanish to the NCCSE website (English link: www.nccse.org/cac-meeting-videos-and-handouts Spanish link: www.nccse.org/videos-y-notas-de-las-juntas-del-cac).
 - c. Those who do not wish their image to be on the video, be sure to stay well away from the area being filmed.
 - d. Everyone who speaks is asked to use the microphone. This is to insure that anyone who is otherwise unable to hear can participate fully in the meeting, as well as to capture sound for filming.
- II. Focus Topic: Introduction to Using Prompts Effectively to Support Your Child in Learning New Skills
 - a. Presented by: Robin Ross, Program Specialist, North Coastal Consortium for Special Education
 - b. See this presentation and power point handout on the NCCSE website at www.nccse.org/cac-meeting-videos-and-handouts. A full two-hour workshop will be given on this topic on January 11, 2016. For more information or to register go to www.nccse.org/educators/professional-dev-opportunities/register-for-workshops-online
 - c. Questions and answers followed the presentation.
- III. Program Director’s Report – Bruce Kramer, Senior Director, North Coastal Consortium for Special Education
 - a. Thanks to Robin for a very valuable and well-presented topic. Families are encouraged to attend the full workshop on January 11.
 - b. More California legislative activity is expected in the spring.
 - c. Three bills that have recently been signed by the Governor and that effect children with disabilities and their families:
 - d. SB 172 (SB=Senate Bill): The California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) is no longer in effect. Something similar is expected to be created in the next few years. Those students who left high school between 2006 and the summer of 2015 who did not pass both parts of the CAHSEE but who completed all other high school graduation requirements are now eligible to receive a high school diploma. Districts are in the process of identifying and contacting those students.
 - e. AB1369 (AB=Assembly Bill): Commonly known as the ‘dyslexia bill.’ This bill has resulted in increased awareness on researched based assessment and interventions for students who are struggling with reading. Originally this bill asked for dyslexia screening for all kindergarteners. It was substantially changed before passage. Now it requires that by July of 2017, the Governor and the California Department of Education give comprehensive guidance to school districts regarding assessment and intervention for students who are struggling with reading.
 - f. SB277: The controversial bill requiring all children be vaccinated to attend school unless they have a medical exclusion. Last minute language stated that students with IEPs are entitled to FAPE, so it is not clear if this law applies to them or not.
- IV. Review Representative Meetings to Date – Michelle Wolfson, Executive Board Member
 - a. Tonight’s meeting is the first public meeting of the year. Two meetings for CAC representatives

were held in September and October. The September meeting was to orient CAC representatives to their role. The October meeting also included district special education directors to review the 2015-2016 CAC Priorities Report and choose one or two goals per district to work on for the school year. See details in the meeting video and power point at www.nccse.org/cac-meeting-videos-and-handouts

- V. Proposed CAC By-Law Amendment – Liz Tashma
- a. The North County Academy is a school provided by the 14 NCCSE school districts to serve students with significant mental health concerns. There are elementary and secondary campuses. Currently each of the 14 school districts appoints one to three parent representatives and one staff representative. The proposed By-Law amendment adds one parent and one staff representative from North County Academy.
 - b. The proposed By-Law amendment will be voted on at the next CAC meeting on January 20, 2016.
- VI. Excellence in Special Education Award Nominations – Joanne Stress, Executive Board Member
- a. Award nominations are open until March 2, 2016. The awards ceremony is scheduled for May 25, 2016. Nominations can be made in 11 categories. Nomination forms will be posted on the NCCSE website soon at www.nccse.org
- VII. Public Comments – Stephanie Rubino, Executive Board Member
- a. At each CAC meeting, time is set aside to accept public comments.
 - b. We welcome public comments – they can be acknowledgement of good practices, or questions or concerns about special education services that impact groups of children.
 - c. Comments are recorded in the CAC minutes, which are distributed to the NCCSE district superintendents and special education directors.
 - d. A written version must be given to a CAC Executive Board member so that it can be accurately recorded for the minutes and for a response.
 - e. Your comment may be presented by yourself, or you may ask the CAC chairperson to read it, and it can be presented anonymously if you choose.
 - f. There will be no action taken at the meeting in which a comment is made, though there may be time for discussion.
 - g. The Executive Board will respond to comments at the following CAC meeting.
 - h. There were no public comments.
 - i. Highlights of two previous public comments:
 1. Comment: make CAC meetings more accessible. Response: several options were discussed in depth, resulting in recording and posting of CAC meetings.
 2. Comment: increasing student voices on CAC. Response: Student voices included in the priorities report, increased number of student presentations at CAC, workshop by self-advocate for parents and high school students.
- VIII. CAC Meeting and Subcommittee Sign-Ups – Lisa Houghtelin, Parent Liaison, North Coastal Consortium for Special Education
- a. Sign-up sheets were passed around for volunteers to support CAC meetings and for the Awards Selection Subcommittee, the Awards Ceremony Subcommittee and the Priorities Subcommittee.
- IX. Family Resources – Julie Law-Cheeseman, Executive Board Member
- a. Upcoming workshops were highlighted.
 - b. Resources in Spanish are included.
 - c. Telephone number for NCCSE workshop information in Spanish and English: 888-797-5575.
- X. Adjourn at 8:05 pm – Liz Tashma
- a. The next public CAC meeting is on January 20, 2016 and the presentation topic will be Supporting elementary students to participate in their IEP meetings. Solana Beach will be here to show videos and other practices that support elementary students in this area.

**North Coastal Consortium for Special Education
2015-2016 CAC ATTENDANCE SHEET**

DISTRICT	REPRESENTATIVE	STATUS	S-16	O-13	N-18	J-20	F-24	M-23	A-20	M-25
Bonsall	Melissa Curras	Parent	x	x	e					
	Jennifer Richards	Parent	e							
	Joe Gora	Staff	e	x						
Cardiff	Rachel Ackerly	Parent		x						
	Vacant	Parent								
	Jayne Hartman	Staff	x		x					
Carlsbad	Robie Leonardi	Parent			x					
	Dana Mikel	Parent			e					
	Michelle Wolfson/Executive Board	Parent	x	x	x					
	Vacant	Staff								
Del Mar	Andrea Siler	Parent	x	x						
	Vacant	Parent								
	Kristen Co	Staff	x	x						
Encinitas	Melanie Landers	Parent	x	x						
	Stephanie Rubino	Parent	x	x	x					
	Alejandra Gonzalez	Staff	x	x						
Fallbrook Elem.	Beth Hamill	Parent								
	Hannah LaFrenz	Parent	x	e						
	Rotating Staff	Staff		x						
Fallbrook High	Paulette Britton	Parent	x	x						
	Vacant	Parent								
	Vacant	Staff								
Oceanside	Kelly Ramos	Parent	x	x	e					
	Liz Tashma/Executive Board	Parent	x	x	x					
	Kristina Rhodes	Parent	x	x						
	Monica Hans	Staff	x	x	e					
Rancho Santa Fe	Carrie Crockett	Parent	e	x						
	Jennifer Levine	Parent	e							
	Nicole Aschenbrenner	Staff	x	x						
San Dieguito High	Joanne Stress/Executive Board	Parent	x	e	x					
	Julie Law-Cheeseman/Executive Board	Parent	e	x	e					
	Amy Briggs	Staff	x	x						
San Marcos	Eric Lendvai/Executive Board	Parent	e	x						
	Julie Ilaoa	Parent	x	x						
	Shanna Llewellyn	Parent	x	x						
	Karen Thompson	Staff	x	x						
Solana Beach	Summer Carlin	Parent	x	x	e					
	Lisa Broussard	Parent	x	x						
	Dawn Fairchild	Staff	x	x	x					
Vallecitos	Vacant	Parent								
	Vacant	Staff								
Vista	Terri Stashak	Parent	x	x	x					
	Katrina Bell	Parent	x	x						
	Faygene Barber	Parent	x	x	e					
	Leigh Noonan/Tracy Allison	Staff	e	x						
Community Member	Carmen Blum		x	e	x					
HOPE Infant Program	Julie Widman	Staff	x	x	x					
	Vacant	Parent								
EFRC	Susan Carlton-Bahm	Agency	e	e						
SDRC	Jonathan Eckrich	Agency								
NCCSE	Bruce Kramer/Lorraine Wyant	Senior Director	x	x	x					
NCCSE	Lisa Houghtelin	Parent Liaison	x	x	x					
TOTALS	PARENTS/STAFF/AGENCY		18/10/2	20/12/1						
	VISITORS		0	28						