



State Advisory Council for Parent Involvement in Education

Meeting

Tuesday, May 20, 2014

Colorado Children's Campaign

1580 Lincoln Street, Suite 420

Denver, CO 80203

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

MINUTES

Members Present: Amie Baca-Oehlert, Dr. Diane Bassett (via phone), Cindy Dascher, Jennifer Garcia-Rosendo, Richard Garcia, Niki Gill, Dr. Kris Greer (via phone), Dr. Beverly Hall, Sandy Ripplinger, Beth Schaffner (via phone), Stacey Zis

Members Absent: Mary Gross, Shannon Holtmann, Jessica Johnson, Mark Kling, Dr. Cathy Lines (Chair), Tomas Mejia, Janet Tanner, Michelle Winzent, Dongying Zhang

Guests and CDE Staff Present: Valarie Almanzar, Brandi Buttica, Brandi Essegian, Jill Fellman, Senator Evie Hudak, Diana Huffman, Dr. Darcy Hutchins, Jeff Klein, Lisa Medler, David Ramer, Lisa Steffen, Blanca Trejo, Kim Watchorn

Welcome and Introductions

- Vice-Chair Zis welcomed all members and guests. Introductions from members and guests.

Public Comment

- There was no public comment.

Honoring Our Members

- Dr. Beverly Hall was recognized for her two years as a SACPIE parent representative.
- Gully Stanford was recognized for his five years as a SACPIE advisory member and his previous leadership with COPINE (Colorado Parent Involvement Network for Education).
- Blanca Trejo was welcomed as a new higher education advisory member.
- Lisa Steffen was recognized for her work with SACPIE – she is taking a new position within CDE.

Approval of Minutes from Tuesday, February 18, 2014

- The minutes were approved unanimously. There were no revisions or corrections.

CDE Update

- Lisa Steffen explained the procedures for SACPIE members to get reimbursed for travel expenses.
- Dr. Darcy Hutchins, Family Partnership Director, discussed the Promising Practice Trainings and feedback from participants. Most suggestions for improvement concerned the timeframe – a few said it could be shorter (two hours), but most recommended that it be extended (two or three days). Many people wanted a broader range of topics and more time to talk to other people outside of their tables. Discussion ensued.
- Dr. Hutchins mentioned the three parent vacancies on SACPIE: two are for parents who are on a SAC or DAC, one is for just a parent. Applications are currently being collected.
- Dr. Hutchins spoke about the meeting dates scheduled for 2015 and the lengthened meeting times, from 11:00am to 3:00pm.
- Dr. Hutchins updated SACPIE on the April 15 CDE road map planning session regarding family engagement.

Committee Reports

- **Executive Committee**

Cathy Lines, Chair
Stacey Zis, Vice Chair

Vice-Chair Zis reported on the Executive Committee and provided a written report. The committee's current primary focus is filling vacancies on SACPIE. The Council is continually presenting to various organizations as it enacts its legislated responsibilities.

- **Early Childhood**

Jenn Garcia-Rosendo/Co-Chair
Tomas Mejia/Co-Chair

Jenn reported out on the Early Childhood Committee. The committee is planning to distribute its survey on current best practices in the near future.

- **K-12**

Jeff Klein/Chair

Jeff reported on the K-12 Committee's work investigating the resources districts have in place (Family Partnership websites, SACs/DACs, handbooks, etc.) so the information can be shared with other districts.

- **Higher Education**

Kris Greer/Chair

Kris reported on the Higher Education Committee which has distributed its survey about current family support practices in Colorado colleges and universities. The committee also presented SACPIE's 2013 Annual Report to the Colorado Commission on Higher Education.

- **Partnerships**
Amie Baca-Oehlert/Co-Chair
Michelle Winzent/Co-Chair

Amie reported on the Partnerships Committee and provided a draft version of its Partnerships Informational Form. They plan to have the completed document by August.

October Family and School Partnership in Education Month – October 2014 Planning

- Vice-Chair Zis presented an action plan for SACPIE to create a calendar with daily activities for families to celebrate Family and School Partnership in Education Month.
- Richard Garcia spoke about the READY FAMILIES...For Student Success Conference to be held October 24 and 25 in Colorado Springs. The Colorado Statewide Parent Coalition, in partnership with the Colorado Department of Education, will be holding the conference. They are expecting between 250 and 300 families to attend, in addition to teachers and administrators. Discussion ensued regarding possible topics for sessions.

Educator Effectiveness

- Toby King, Director of Educator Effectiveness at CDE, was unable to attend today's meeting. Vice-Chair Zis began a discussion regarding Educator Effectiveness and SACPIE's possible role.
- Richard will add an Educator Effectiveness session to the October conference.

Adjournment

- Vice-Chair Zis adjourned the meeting at 2:40 pm.

Upcoming SACPIE Meetings

Colorado Education Association 1500 Grant Street Denver, CO 80203

Tuesday, August 19, 2014 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm
(Please note: 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm and 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm are available for committee work, presentations and networking.)

Tuesday, November 18, 2014 (Planning Retreat) 12:00pm - 4:00 pm

New Dates and Times for 2015

Tuesday, February 10, 2015 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Tuesday, May 19, 2015 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Tuesday, August 18, 2015 11:00 am - 3:00 pm
Tuesday, November 17, 2015 (Planning Retreat) 11:00 am - 3:00 pm