

Goleta Union School District
DAC Meeting Minutes
September 13, 2018 Meeting
Brandon School

Attendance: DAC

Dr. Donna Lewis (DO- Supt.)	Mary Kahn (Asst. Supt.)
Luz Reyes-Martin (Board member)	Ryan Sparre (Principal Brandon)
Betsy Meagher (Foothill)	Leslie Hogan (GFS)
Keely Gregorio (Mountain View)	Alton Green (Brandon)
Susan Zink (Hollister)	Kara Rocque (Kellogg)
Cressida Silvers (El Camino)	Lynnette Nievaes (Isla Vista)

1. Welcome and Introductions

Cressida Silvers opened the meeting and introduced Dr. Lewis, who welcomed members. The meeting began at 8:51 a.m. Dr. Lewis reviewed the agenda and mentioned that we would be continuing the discussion on Cultural Proficiency and Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). She then introduced an icebreaker – Cultural Commonalities, where reps mingled and found out what cultural attributes and cultural experiences are shared with the other reps.

2. Election of Chairperson: Keely Gregorio motioned to nominate Cressida Silvers as chairperson and Kara Rocque seconded. Vote was unanimous.

3. Approval of the Minutes from May 10, 2018

Motion to approve minutes: Alton Green
Seconded by: Betsy Meagher
Minutes approved.

4. Review of DAC Expectations: Dr. Lewis reviewed the new start time of meetings and the updated 2018-2019 schedule and then asked representatives what they would like to discuss/learn at DAC meetings. Cressida offered to resend the spreadsheet created from last year to representatives for review and updating.

5. School Presentation and Tour of Campus – Ryan Sparre

Principal Sparre took the group on a tour of the Brandon School campus. He introduced us to the new librarian, and their special library, which is housed in their original MPR. He walked us through each pod of classrooms and playgrounds, ending with their incredible garden. He then shared a presentation with school information, 422 students, 19 regular education classrooms and 2 Special Day/Resource classrooms. He stated that the demographics of the school are; 51.8% Hispanic, 36% White, 6.8% Asian, 1.9% African American, and 3.2% other with English Learners at 22.6% and 7.2% reclassified.

Mr. Sparre briefly explained how Professional Learning Communities (PLC's) work with professional development, collaborative teams, developing school culture and creating school systems and structure. He shared a Power Point presentation that highlighted some of the special programs Brandon enjoys; Music, Art, Michael Katz Storytelling, California Poets in the School, Bruce Hale workshop, noon league sports, after school enrichment classes as well as Homework support. Family/Community events are the Back to School dinner night and book fair, the Fall Parade, the Winter Gathering (sing), the Spring Art Show, Bike and Walk to School

Wednesdays, and Family Dinner Nights on the Town. Brandon students also enjoy many Cultural Arts Assemblies and field trips, parades and a Carnival, along with the Big Buddy/Little Buddy program.

6. Instructional Services – Mary Kahn, Assistant Superintendent

Mrs. Kahn shared her presentation of CAASP scores – California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress. She reviewed the four ranges of measures (achievement level); Standard not met, Standard nearly met, Standard met, Standard exceeded.

Under the CAASP Umbrella, students also take state tests, California Science tests, ELA and Mathematics Assessments, and the SBAC-Smarter Balance Assessment. SBAC gives a broad assessment and is given to 3rd-6th graders, so parents will receive their child's letter the beginning of the 4th grade school year. She explained the layout of the parent letter, how to understand the scores and how the district uses all this information. Mrs. Kahn also outlined the differences between the @Afterschool Program and the ASES Program and explained that afterschool homework help is a site decision and site principals set this up. Mrs. Kahn briefly reviewed the district's Gifted Services program and teacher training.

7. Representative Discussion

Cressida began the discussion on school safety. Dr. Lewis relayed that every March the district has their district safety plan go to the board for approval.

**8. Next Meeting will be at the District Office with Foothill School Hosting
Thursday, October 11, 2018 @ 8:45 am:**

Meeting adjourned at 11:08 am