

**ACTION WEST SONOMA COUNTY
SPECIAL EDUCATION AND STUDENT SERVICES CONSORTIUM**

Office: 6950 Analy Ave.
Sebastopol, CA 95472

MINUTES
March 10, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER 8:31am by Superintendent Myers

II. ROLL CALL

Barbara Bickford, Twin Hills Union SD-**Absent**
Renee Semik, Forestville Union SD
Dana Pedersen, Guerneville SD
Amber Stringfellow, Oak Grove Union SD
Nate Myers, Monte Rio Union SD (Vice-Chair)

Toni Beal, WSCUHSD
Laurie Mason, Montgomery SD
Linda Irving, Sebastopol Union SD
Jennifer Dudley, Fort Ross SD
Matthew Morgan, Harmony Union SD

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

ACTION ITEM

1. Approval of Agenda for March 10, 2021

Attachment

Board Motion: Amber Stringfellow Motion: Second: Matthew Morgan
Action: All Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

ACTION ITEM

1. Approval of Minutes for February 10, 2021

Attachment

Board Motion: Matthew Morgan Motion: Second: Laurie Mason
Action: All Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS - No public comment

VI. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS:

A. ESY UPDATE

DISCUSSION ITEM

The director shared with the group the current parent survey that asks parents if they would be interested in participating in ESY if it were in-person, distant learning, or hybrid. Staffing ESY would require searching outside the current personnel to fully staff ESY. The discussion then turned to the option of beginning the school year early for a group of students who did not participate in DL or had significant regression on targeted IEP goals. The director will collect more data on this subject.

B. SMALL COHORT/STABLE GROUP UPDATE

DISCUSSION ITEM

The Director shared a photo of teacher Adam Alcorn, who opened his small cohort on February 22nd. That cohort was on an A/B schedule but the following week moved to a four day schedule because the size of the cohort allowed for it.

Announcement that ParkSide teachers agreed to a cohort opening of April 6th. Toni Beal, superintendent for WSCUHSD reported that the board would be discussing cohort opening for the unit and then reopening for all students tonight at the board meeting.

C. DIRECTOR GOALS

DISCUSSION ITEM

The director gave a self-assessment on her progress on three specific goals.

- Have a clear understanding of and promotes curriculum standards, best instructional practices, and effective assessment methods.
- Appropriately advises and works with colleagues and families to anticipate and solve problems related to the Consortium and its various programs.
- Makes wise use of resources to meet the educational and instructional priorities for various special needs programs managed by the Consortium

D. APPROVAL FOR COST OF COACH FOR DIRECTOR _____ ACTION ITEM

Coach for the Director for SY 2012-2022 not to exceed \$3000 or 40 hours. Superintendent Myers reported there has been a contract drafted for the 21/22 school year.

Board Motion: Matthew Morgan Motion: Second: Amber Stringfellow
Action: All Nays: 0 Abstentions: 0

X. REPORTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Consortium Director Report: updated the Council on items of interest from the Consortium Programs and the SELPA Steering Committee:
 1. Staffing Updates for SY 21-22 - Director Velasquez reported current postings for 2 SLP, 1 Psychologist, and a .8 School Nurse position.
 2. SELPA Discussion on Learning Recovery - Will continue discussions on ways to address learning recovery in a proactive manner.
- LEA/SELPA Superintendent Council Report: Toni Beal and Nate Myers will update the Council on items of interest from the high school district and the SELPA Superintendent's committee. The team discussed the SELPA model after superintendent Myers shared the SELPA director is asking LEAs to write a letter of support to the State in response to how funding is rolled out. SELPA director is due for evaluation.
- Consortium Director General Announcements and Updates - Director Velasquez reported the vaccine roll out for teachers was successful. The consortium's CSP is provided to Superintendents for review and feedback.
- Announcements: Consortium Council Members - Superintendent Pedersen reported Guerneville School in collaboration with West County Health will begin a testing site on campus starting March 16th and offered every two weeks. A flyer will be shared with districts on the detail.

XI. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Next meeting: Friday, April 14, 2021
Closed Session - Director Mentor
ESY discussion
District reopening discussion

XII. ADJOURNMENT

Board Motion: Amber Stringfellow Motion: Second: Matthew Morgan