

Meeting Minutes

Present: Genevieve Lewis, Myiesha Majors, Torrie Lozano, Danielle Lipkin, LaDonna Tucker, Thomas Tucker, Nakita Dodd, Tammy Gordon, Cecily Session-Goins, Mark Thompson, Tawni Flot-Williams, Shauna Morris, James Washington III, Sheri Marcey, Tracey Humphries, Nicole Edun, Tracee Stewart, Amber Black, Janice Gordon, Nikki Robinson, Amber Dexter, Akosua Owusu, Ja’Nae Robertson, Alexis Duncan, Sierra Langager, Melany Amaya, Brittaney Garba, Kimberly Pollock, Justin Kooyman, Damita Walton, Jeannie Tavolazzi

Absent: Roderick Richard, Porsche Fowlkes-Arthurs, Janice Coleman, Marie Williams, Ta Lese Morrow, Brandi Bradley, Kimberly Isaac, Daria Hall, LaQuita Hurns, Lekeya Irby, Carmon Singleton, David Apodaca

Guest: Charlayne Sprague, Fermin Jaramillo

1. Welcome and Public Comment

Myiesha Majors, Chairperson, welcomed the committee.

Public comment: Fermin Jaramillo introduced himself and stated he is running for the Etiwanda School District Board of Trustees, Area 3.

2. Introduction of Committee Members

Damita Walton, Director of Personnel, introduced the Executive Board and the Etiwanda members.

Breakout Room – Committee Introductions: Share your name, school, and hopes for AAPEAC achievements this year. *Members shared their hope for AAPEAC to be familiar to all parents similar to PTA.*

3. Committee History

Jeannie Tavolazzi, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, reviewed the AAPEAC history, Brown Act, purpose of AAPEAC, role and responsibility of members, subcommittees (Family Engagement and Inclusive Educational Practices), and AAPEAC accomplishments.

4. District Update

Justin Kooyman, Director of Instruction, reviewed District enrollment, COVID protocols, instructional programs, Summer Learning Program, new teacher academy, and personnel update.

5. Discussion and Action on Innovation Funding Proposal
Tawni Flot-Williams, Vice-Chairperson, reviewed the funding allocation and process to support activities, events, and programs that align with the mission and goals of AAPEAC. Jeannie Tavolazzi, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction, reviewed the proposal submitted by Amber Claflin, Library Services Program Specialist.
Vote: Yes 26 No 0

6. AAPEAC Subcommittees
Myiesha Majors, Chairperson, and Tawni Flot-Williams, Vice-Chairperson, provided an overview of previous subcommittee progress. Subcommittees met in breakout rooms to discuss planning for 2022-2023, selected subcommittee lead(s), and designated a date for their first meeting.

Family Engagement – Increase interaction between families in the District, provide a space for families to ask questions of one another, and create an environment where African American contributions are expected, acknowledged, and celebrated.

Leads: Alexis Duncan
District contact: Damita Walton

Inclusive Educational Practices – Empower parent and educator collaboration and identify equitable and culturally responsive academic practices.

Leads: Nikki Robinson and Janice Gordon
District contact: Justin Kooyman

7. Connecting with your Site Principal – Fall Meeting
Damita Walton, Director of Personnel, shared there will be a fall, winter, & spring meeting with AAPEAC rep and principal. Principals were notified about the meetings on 8/30/22. Reps were encouraged to contact their site principal to schedule a meeting in September.

8. Main Meeting Closing and Reminders
Myiesha Majors, Chairperson, thanked everyone for joining and participating in AAPEAC. The new hybrid system is available; however, all members were encouraged to participate in-person. Charlayne Sprague, Superintendent, also thanked everyone for participating in AAPEAC.

9. Subcommittee Lead Orientation
AAPEAC Executive Board reviewed the subcommittee planning guides.

2022-2023 Meeting Dates:

2022: Wednesday, August 31; Wednesday, October 12; and Wednesday, December 7

2023: Wednesday, February 8; and Wednesday, March 15