



# Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2024

2:45pm - Multipurpose Room

**Call to order at 02:46**

**In Attendance:**

- Richard Fields
- Anne Keenan
- Carolyn Booser
- Tim Hagerty
- Jill Cowdrey
- Danni Dennison
- Terri Culpepper
- Katie Wilkes
- Anna Tucker-White
- Rachel Braddell
- Carolyn Cherrie

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**Public Comments:**

- None

**Minutes from last meeting approved**

**PFA Report:**

- Direct Donation drive was a huge success. Participation increased by 112%, 80% of families participated. Over \$26K raised. Pizza party will be next week, ice cream will be the week after. Total is \$202K for this year
- Family fun night at Sweet Fin was a success. Currently at \$3200, goal is \$4700
- Virtual Bingo was a success
- Still taking Brick orders
- Women in history videos to be shown throughout the month
- Talent show is coming up next week
- Next years board will be voted on in May
- Odyssey of the mind - 2 teams competing at the State competition this weekend



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### DAC Report:

Board of Education- Leanne Holland

- Next meeting 3/27/24

Wellness Committee-

- Salad bar is coming soon to more CVUSD schools. Most are bagged salads so there are fresher alternatives in the works.
- Next meeting 3/20/24 @ 3:30pm in District Board Meeting room

Lana Clark from Conejo Schools Fdn

- Preparation for the All District Music Festival is under way for April 2024. It will be 3 nights of music!
- April 11, 2024 @ 4:30pm- State of the Schools Event
- Play if Forward project- The foundation is asking for local families to donate their used musical instruments for elementary students to borrow for band. Over 20 stringed instruments were repaired and will be in use soon thanks to generous community donations. 7 schools in the district do not have a strings program, 2 schools are without band programs all together. You can drop off gently used instruments at Nick Rail music in Agoura or at Hillcrest Center for the Arts.

Drew Pletcher- Measure I

- Next meeting 4/24/24 at 4pm at Redwood Middle

Thousand Oaks Library

- Reminder of some of the summer reading programs available to the community- Dog Days, Reading Buddies and their summer reading program.

AADAC

- Targeted racism against students in the district has been the biggest focus. AADAC is working with Kenny Loo and other administrators. Tackling racism will likely be an upcoming DAC topic.

GATEDAC

- There was a presentation at the last meeting to provide info on available program for GATE students.
- A Mastery of Grading Q&A also occurred
- Invention Convention is 3/20
- Next meeting is 5/3/24 at University location

LGBTQ+DAC

- They are still looking for participants in their subcommittees.



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- Working on a toolkit for the district to help with Pride Month activities
- Next meeting 4/24/24

### SDAC

- Next meeting is 4/29/24
- The BSU's met from all high schools to come together to share best practices and experiences.
- We've been discussing the next steps in the gender neutral bathroom discussion in regards to the new CA Bill requiring all schools to have one on campus.
- They are working on a monthly survey for all high school students to get more frequent feedback.

### SEDAC

- Focus is on upcoming Resource Fair

### Public Comment-

- The Conejo Valley Parade is coming back this year! We are asking any and all community involvement. We need classic cars, school marching bands, or any other community members interested in getting involved. Please go to <https://conejovalleyparade.org/> for more info.

### Leanne Holland

- Equity Conference- 3/12/24 at 3:30-7pm
- Crossing Guard Week is 3/18-3/22
- Public Volunteer Week is 4/15-4/19

Find SUPERDAC Presentation slides coming soon at <https://www.conejousd.org/domain/1447>

### SEDAC Report:

- Executive Board Elections will take place at our May meeting. Please fill out [this form](#) if you would like to nominate someone else or yourself to be on the Executive Board. Please fill it out by April 13th.
- [Transition Fair](#) sponsored by SELPA/VCOE is coming up Saturday, March 23rd, 9 am - 12 pm at VCOE in Camarillo. Come check it out even if your child is younger. You have the opportunity to see all the schools and agencies and ask individualized questions.
- We had table talks from the district and community agencies. Here are the websites of the community agencies that came. <https://tri-counties.org> &



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- <https://rainbowconnectionfrc.weebly.com> The Department of Rehabilitation was not able to make it. <https://www.dor.ca.gov/>
- [Disability Celebrations Toolkit](#) I Hope some of you were able to get additional information about the toolkit. Please share with your principals and share the Instagram stories on your Instagram and your school sites for **Disability History Month** happening now.
  - [Directors report](#) - Special Education Highlights
  - Dr. Egans gave an update on:
    - Mental Health Grants– helps sustain wellness rooms for another 5 years. Hired 19 direct-service mental health employees. \$750,000 grant helps provide additional counselors at sites for trauma-informed care. Paraeducator staffing has been difficult; figuring out barriers and addressing them. School sites can now hire certain positions directly for their site. At the AADAC meeting, they discussed the Disability Celebrations Toolkit, AADAC wants to build a toolkit as well.
  - ESSR Funds will be discontinued next year. Schools need to determine which programs to discontinue
    - Attendance will be a major push to make up for some of this funding

### ELAC Report:

No report/representative

### GATE Report:

- Stephen Lepire, Principal, and Allison Steltz, Asst. Principal - Student Support Services/Special Education, gave a presentation on the IB program and enrichment opportunities at Newbury Park High School.
- Mr. Kenneth Loo, Dr. Dena Sellers, and Dr. Jayna Suter hosted a question-and-answer session with our parent representatives regarding Mastery Grading and its implementation in the CVUSD.
- Student Services hosted a “New to GATE” informational meeting for recently identified, referred, and transfer GATE students and families on Tuesday, February 27th, and shared the following [presentation slides](#).
- Upcoming District GATE Activities in **MARCH**:
  - High School “Survivor meets Amazing Race” scavenger hunt at TOHS on Wednesday, March 6th from 4 - 5
  - Elementary art/origami on Zoom Tuesday, March 26th from 3:15 - 4:15
- Upcoming District GATE Activities in **APRIL**:
  - Middle School “Survivor meets Amazing Race” scavenger hunt at RMS on Thursday, April 11th from 3:30 - 4:30
  - Elementary video game creation with Bloxels on Thursday, April 25th from 3:30 - 4:30 (Limit 30) Bloxels game boards are available for teacher check out!



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- Our CVUSD Invention Convention Student Showcase will be held on **Wednesday, March 20th**, from 6:00 - 7:00pm in the University Center MPR, located at 2801 Atlas Avenue in Thousand Oaks. CVUSD teachers, students, and families are welcome to join our entrepreneurs, partners, and corporation groups as guests to share in the collective inventive journeys our creative students have explored over the last month.
- Universal GATE screening:
  - Scheduling is in the works and will be posted to the GATE webpage under the “Universal Screening for Rising Third Graders” drop down menu at the bottom of our GATE webpage once completed.
  - Principals will email the initial screening information, including their scheduled campus screening date(s) and opt out information, to 2nd grade families the week of March 11th. Ms. Harrison will send a follow-up email to all CVUSD 2nd grade families on March 26th.
  - Screening timelines:
    - Initial screening from April 9th - May 3rd.
    - Follow-up screening measures for students on the “cusp” of eligibility will be held from May 13th - 30th.
    - Letters and scores will be mailed home to all participating students in June.
- Teen Tech Convention is scheduled for **Thursday, May 30th from 12:00 - 3:00pm**. 50 spaces will be available for sixth grade students from each of our five middle schools. (Priority registration for GATE identified students).
- The Tri-County Gate Council “GATEway to Leadership” will be held Saturday, March 9th from 8:30am - 3:30pm (CVUSD has sponsored participation for four teacher/admin-nominated 7th grade students from each of our 5 middle schools).
- Our last meeting of the school year will be held on May 3rd at 9:15am at the University Center MPR, and will include the final presentation in our 3-part series from Westlake HS regarding enrichment opportunities for students, as well as a presentation from Analise Griffith, CVUSD Secondary SEL/UDL TOSA, regarding the development of social-emotional lessons and curriculum for all students, as well as how it affects GATE students specifically.
- Elections for our 2024-25 GATE DAC Executive Board positions will be held at the May 3rd meeting, and nominations will close on April 14th. Anyone interested in being considered for one of the Executive Board positions please use this [GOOGLE FORM LINK](#).

### **AACAP Report:**

No report/representative

### **LGBTQ+ Report:**

No report/representative

### **Unfinished Business:**

None

### **New Business:**

- Currently ESSR funds cover reading interventions, homework help, and math intervention. ESSR funds will no longer be available next year.



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- SSC picture due next month
- Dance starts next week

**Meeting adjourned - 3:39**