

Santa Ana Unified School District

Advanced Learning Academy

Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

February 27, 2024

11:00 am

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I. Welcome/Call to Order – Meeting was called to order by Diana Torres at 11 am

a. Members Present a.

- i. President: Diana Torres
- ii. Vice President: Alicia Skibby
- iii. Principal: Amy Scruton
- iv. Member: Gloria Lira
- v. Member: Bryan Davis
- vi. Member: Cheryl Whittington
- vii. Visitor: Patricia Schiessel
- viii. Visitor: Annette Cordero Jackson
- ix. Visitor: Marjorie Cochran
- x. Visitor: Celeste Migliaccio

II. Review Minutes from Previous Meeting on Dec 13, 2023 – Ms. Skibby motioned to approve the minutes, Mr. Davis seconded the motion, all were in favor, motion carried.

III. Public Input – No Public Input

IV. Principal's Report

a. Enrollment Overview – There was an increase in enrollment at all grade levels. At the elementary level we will be doubling the enrollment, at the intermediate and high school level we increased enrollment. There were some glitches with the lottery process and we are hoping to fix these glitches, enabling us to reach our maximum enrollment numbers.

V. Presentations

a. 2023-2024 LCAP Mid-year Report (Informational) – Review of the LCAP by Ms. Scruton

1. Dibbles has increased
2. 100% graduation rate
3. a-g completion rate was 48.4%. We have implemented a number of programs such as AVID school-wide, parent meetings, and remediation and will be increasing that percentage every year until we reach 100%.
4. Dashboard

a. Goal 1 - Our EL students are redesignating at a higher rate in comparison to other equivalent schools. We are in the green on the dashboard for our EL students and will continue working with these students to ensure they are successful. Our Math scores are low so we are working with the district math curriculum specialist on teaching strategies that will help at the elementary and jr high level. Math teachers at all three levels have gone to a variety of trainings and have been given planning time together to help with vertical alignment of the curriculum.

b. Goal 2 – Remained the same

c. Goal 3 – We have been working on attendance at both sites. Our FACE liaisons call parents and discuss why students are absent and the importance good attendance. We have also presented this information at parent meetings, ELAC, and SSC. In addition, Ms. Scruton wrote a message on every elementary students report card if the student was having attendance issues. We have also held 2 SART's and 1 SARB. We also had our first WIN Saturday to recoup attendance at the high school where 65 students attended. Phone call's and parent square messages were sent to the families of students who needed to attend and teachers recruited students.

d. Goal 4 – Will be completed according to a later timeline

6. VI. Regular Action Items

a. Approval of Arts Grant Budget – Ms. Scruton presented the arts grant. The grant pays for materials, supplies, transportation and admission fees, professional development, and for Ms. Miller who teaches at the elementary level, two periods at the intermediate level, and one period at the high school level as well as Ms. Buckley who teaches visual arts at the high school. Mr. Davis motioned to approve the arts grant budget as presented, Ms. Skibby second the motion, all in favor, none opposed, motion passed.

b. We pay for a VAPA position at the high school from our funds so that students are able to meet their VAPA requirement for graduation.

7. VII. Adjournment – Ms. Torres adjourned the meeting at 11:25 am

Next Regularly Scheduled ALA Board Meeting will be on March 13, 2024