

VENTURA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Dr. César Morales, County Superintendent of Schools



SARB Minutes

November 17, 2021

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Zoom

Attendees: Carol Bjordahl, Amber Bowman, Letitia Bradley, Bartley Brown, Maureen Byrne, Jakeline Cortez, Veronica Escobedo, Sonia Garcia, Alfredo Gutierrez, Liz Jimenez, Heather Johnson, Jodi Nocero, Jose Ramirez, Stefanie Rodriguez, Rosie Rosales, Shannon Houston Scott, Tina Scudato, Gina Simonsgaard, Jamie Snodgrass, Justus Spillner, Consuelo Hernandez Williams, Mike Winters, Connie Wright, Taylene Yniguez

I. Welcome

Dr. Hernandez Williams welcomed everyone to the meeting.

II. Review of Minutes, October 13, 2021

Mr. Winters asked everyone to review the minutes from the October 13th meeting (previously emailed). The minutes were reviewed and approved.

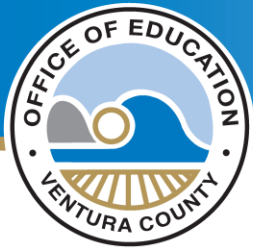
III. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

IV. Partner Reports/Updates

- District Attorney's Office – Nothing to report.
- Public Defender's Office – Nothing to report.
- Probation Agency – Nothing to report.
- Gateway Community School – Ms. Rodriguez asked if probation officers have frequent contact with students? Asked if a probation officer can help with contact information. Ms. Simonsgaard asked Ms. Rodriguez to send the student's name and date of birth and she will look for information regarding the student. Ms. Rodriguez reviewed Gateway's enrollment.

Dr. Hernandez Williams shared that historically one of the functions for Alternative Ed. (Gateway and Providence) was to host an annual Alternative Education Conference. The Conference has now been embedded into the annual Equity Conference. Dr. Hernandez Williams asked that if there is an area anyone would like to ensure is embedded in the conference, please reach out to her and the idea will be taken to the planning committee. Dr. Hernandez Williams stated that over the last year all inter agency leads have been working together on an MOU. Dr. Hernandez Williams shared a list of the agencies. Implementation of wellness centers – we are all connected. Dr. Hernandez Williams asked that those that have launched a wellness center, please let the group know if open to a visit to observe the wonderful work that is being done. She asked if willing to a visit, please drop info. in the chat.



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- Behavioral Health – Ms. Johnson shared that they have had a large number of referrals agency wide.
- Public Health – Ms. Escobedo shared information for a training scheduled for January 17, 2022. Ms. Escobedo will share the flyer to be added to the shared drive.
- Human Services Agency/Children Family Services – Nothing to report.
- Human Services Agency/CalWORKs – Nothing to report.
- Community Partners – Nothing to report.

V. SARB Member Questions/Insights/Best Practices

None at this time.

VI. Kids on the Move

Ms. Rodriguez asked for help finding a student. L.A. from OUHSD enrolled at Gateway. The student attended Gateway one day. Staff has tried locating the student, but hasn't been successful. Ms. Simonsgaard will research and contact Ms. Rodriguez.

Mr. Gutierrez is looking for a student. A.P. has not attended school for a month. Mr. Gutierrez shared mom's name with the group. Ms. Simonsgaard will research and contact Mr. Gutierrez.

Ms. Jimenez is looking for student S.C. Student has not been in school all year. They no longer have contact information for the student or her mother. Ms. Bjordahl may have some information on the student and will email Ms. Jimenez.

Ms. Bowman is looking for student B.B.; family has not responded to inquiries.

VII. SARB Contact List

Mr. Winters shared that the SARB Contact List has been updated. The group was asked to review the list on the shared drive and inform Aurelia of any further changes. The updated list will be posted to the SARB webpage.

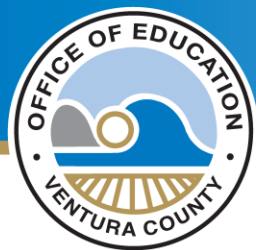
VIII. State SARB Update

Legislative Update: Mr. Winters shared a link for the Legislative Update presented by CASCWA at the State SARB Meeting. Highlighted a couple of things based on AB 516 (attendance), SB 14 (mental or behavioral health) and SB 328 (start school time). He asked the group to review the link with important information.

Model SARB Program: Dr. Hernandez Williams reviewed the Model SARB Program and encouraged the team to invite their staff members to complete an application together.

IX. Training

Attendance Supervisor Training: Mr. Winters reminded the group of the Systems and Accountability & Supervisor of Attendance Certification Training scheduled for December



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14th. Shared that we thought this certification training was mandatory annually. Ed Code states staff must be trained. Currently, our certification document is for one year. State SARB contact clarified that it is a local decision on how long the certification should be for. In some counties it is one, two or three years. The question was asked, how long should our certification last for? The certification document will be changed based on what is decided today. Discussion ensued. A suggestion was made to change the certification to last two or three years. Some members of the team found that some of the information is the same year to year and only a couple new things are mentioned. A suggestion was made to possibly have a renewal training and lower the cost of the training. Dr. Hernandez Williams stated she would explore how VCOE could possibly incur the cost of the training to promote participation on an annual basis. A question was asked as why the training is done so late in the school year. Asked if it can be done earlier. Mr. Winters stated he will check if there is a reason for the December date. Dr. Hernandez Williams stated that S4 is very flexible, she asked the group what month would be more appropriate. A couple of suggestions were made for late September. Dr. Hernandez Williams will follow up on the proposed new date for the training. Mr. Winters proposed that the certification be for a two year window. The group all agreed to change to two years. Mr. Winters will notify Ms. Ortiguerra so that the change can be made for the upcoming training. Ms. Byrne asked if it would be helpful for a team member from the District Attorney's office to attend. Mr. Winters stated that they have attended in the past. Mr. Ramirez asked if there are any waivers or discounts for students/interns. Mr. Winters will reach out to Ms. Ortiguerra and let Mr. Ramirez know.

X. Upcoming Trainings/Workshops/Items

- Nov. 20, 2021 VEX Robotics Competition
- Dec. 14, 2021 School Attendance: Systems and Accountability & Supervisor of Attendance Certification Training *Virtual*
- Jan. 4 & 11, 2022 Trauma-Informed Practices for Schools Part I & II
- Jan. 8 - Feb. 5, 2022 Academic Decathlon
- Feb. 3, 2022 Annual Legislative Update
- Feb. 8-11, 15-17, 2022 Mock Trial
- March 18, 2022 Science Fair
- March 22, 2022 VCOE Equity Conference
- March 23 & 30, 2022 Trauma-Informed Practices for Schools Part I & II
- May 21, 2022 MEP Speech & Debate Tournament

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

XI. Next Meeting

January 19, 2022 ZOOM