

# VENTURA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Dr. César Morales, County Superintendent of Schools



SARB Minutes  
May 4, 2022  
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM  
Zoom

Attendees: SSG Armando Bernal, Amber Bowman, Dr. Letitia Bradley, Maureen Byrne, Carlos Covarrubias, Robert DeCandia, Veronica Escobedo, Phyllis Franco, Sonia Garcia, Robin Gillette, Alfredo Gutierrez, Amber Henrey, Heather Johnson, Christina Mahone, Laurel McWaters, Alex Mejia-Holdsworth, Michele Ortiguerra, Araceli Osuna, Shannon Houston Scott, Stefan Sisman, Justus Spillner, Hannah Taylor, Dr. Consuelo Hernandez Williams, Mike Winters, Connie Wright

**I. Welcome**

Mr. Winters welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**II. Review of Minutes, March 9, 2022**

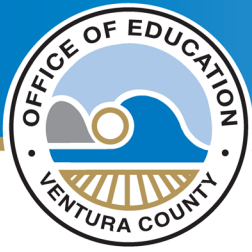
Mr. Winters asked that everyone review the minutes from the March 9<sup>th</sup> meeting (previously emailed). The minutes were reviewed and approved.

**III. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**IV. Partner Reports/Updates**

- District Attorney's Office - Ms. McWaters stated it is getting to the end of the SARB calendar year and a lot of districts are having their final meetings at end of this month or beginning of June. Ms. McWaters shared that if anyone would like to schedule a final meeting to review final cases, please let them know and they are happy to schedule.
- Public Defender's Office - Nothing to report.
- Probation Agency - Nothing to report.
- Gateway Community School - Nothing to report.
- Behavioral Health - Ms. Johnson reported they continue to struggle to hire. They are holding a Job Fair on June 4<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Ms. Johnson will share the Job Fair flyer with Aurelia to post on the shared drive.
- Public Health - Ms. Hannah Taylor introduced herself, she is a new Public Health Nurse that will be joining the SARB meetings. Ms. Escobedo stated she will soon have updated information for the parenting classes that have been rescheduled.
- Human Services Agency/Children Family Services - Nothing to report.
- Human Services Agency/CalWORKS - Ms. Garcia shared that June will be the last time she participates in the SARB meetings, as CalWORKS has transitioned. The new representative will be Ms. Cristina Rayos. Ms. Garcia added Ms. Rayos' contact information to the chat, [Christina.Rayos@ventura.org](mailto:Christina.Rayos@ventura.org), 805-477-5462.
- Community Partners - Nothing to report.



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## V. **Legislative Update**

Mr. Winters shared the Legislative Update, April 2022 – this document can be found in the shared drive. SB 955 - Would include as an excused absence from school for any middle school or high school student participating in a civic or political event for one day per year. SB 1057 - Deletes the requirement of suspension or delay in the issuance of a driving privilege in the mandatory truancy notice.

## VI. **Updates from State SARB**

Mr. Winters reviewed the Attendance Awareness Campaign 2022 Webinar Series. Information can be found in the shared drive. The first webinar took place on April 6<sup>th</sup>, additional webinars are available.

Mr. Winters shared information on SB 830; proposed at this time, it is a finance supplemental education bill. LCFF if based on average daily membership instead of average daily attendance. What is being said is that districts should have funding regardless if students attend.

Mr. Winters shared information on the K12 Omnibus Trailer Bill. Information can be found on the shared drive.

Mr. Winters gave an update on the Model SARB Recognition Program. Six districts statewide were recognized. Mr. Winters has joined the sub committee and will update the team as information is shared.

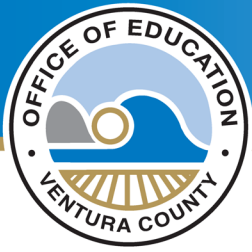
## VII. **SARB Member Questions/Insights/Best Practices/Training Needs**

Mr. Winters opened the floor to anyone in the group with comments or questions. Mrs. Byrne shared that she attended a JJCC meeting. The Thrive program was brought up at the meeting, it was shared that this is a great program. The need for therapists and public health nurses was discussed. It is recognized that there is a great need for these positions.

Dr. Hernandez Williams shared that a team member has asked what others are doing to bring students to school. Asked if anyone has sample letters that are not a notification letter, but a letter to promote attendance. Does anyone have an outside the box way to encourage families with attendance? It was mentioned that Attendance Works has a lot of resources; flyers and maybe even letters that may go out at the beginning of the school year to promote attendance. Dr. Bradley mentioned engaging A2A postcards and/or newsletters. Mr. Winters shared that Moorpark has a pre-SARB letter that they send out to families. The letter includes information that is pulled from attendance works; it's a more positive letter. Mr. Winters will share the letter.

## VIII. **Kids on the Move**

None at this time.



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SSG Bernal from Grizzly Youth Academy shared information about their program. The age for Grizzly Youth Academy students ranges from 15.5-18 years. If anyone has students identified, Grizzly staff will be happy to do a presentation or coordinate a tour for those students that will benefit from the program. Dr. Hernandez Williams asked for brochures and flyers to add to our shared drive. SSG Bernal will send the new flyers to Aurelia to add to the shared drive.

## IX. Upcoming Trainings/Workshops/Items and Resources

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CpBtJ2WxL5s59SCgUGJkvXOQ5jWXBEC8/view?usp=sharing>

- May 5, 2022           Articulation Summit, Moorpark College & Oxnard College (Anthony Marenco)
- May 6, 2022           Ventura County Teacher of the Year Application Due by 4:00 PM (Andrea Rubin)
- May 11-13, 2022      52nd Annual JCCASAC Conference (Stefanie Rodriguez)  
<https://ccsesa.cventevents.com/event/c4e3475d-5e6b-4617-9298-ab1dbd541f76/summary>
- May 16, 2022        The Key to Getting Help for Serious Mental Illness Free Webinar (Chris Ridge)
- May 21, 2022        MEP Speech & Debate Tournament (Dr. Joe Mendoza)
- May 24, 2022        Impact II Awards (Andrea Rubin)
- May 24, 2022        Talking about Mental Health Free Webinar (Chris Ridge)
- May 24, 2022        CTE Collaborative (Laurie Lary)
- June 1, 2022         Independent Study May Revise Webinar  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_u10dfPI7R2aO-Lt-7otpAg](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_u10dfPI7R2aO-Lt-7otpAg)
- June 21, 2022        CTE Collaborative (Laurie Lary)
- June 22, 2022        **AB 2083: ICPM Training for the Wellness Steering Committee**
- June 22, 2022        Kickoff 1:30 - 3:30 PM
- June 23, 2022        Session 1 9:00 AM - Noon OR 1:00 - 4:00 PM
- July 14, 2022         Session 2 9:00 AM - Noon OR 1:00 - 4:00 PM
- July 19-21, 2022     21CSLA IS Summer Institute <https://laco.k12oms.org/2576-216739>

## X. Next Meeting – June 1, 2022

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:27 PM.