

**Riverside Unified School District
Educational Services Division**

Academic Oversight Board Subcommittee Meeting

Thursday, July 11, 2019

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Grant, PGS Conference Center

4011 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Mrs. Patricia Lock-Dawson called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

PRESENT: Patricia Lock Dawson and Kathy Allavie, Board Members, and Lynn Carmen Day, Chief Academic Officer, Educational Services

Also present were Ryan Lewis, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction; Jamie Angulo, Director, Instructional Services 7-12; Kiersten Frausto, Director, Instructional Services K-6; Jennifer De Anda, Director, Strategic Initiatives and Program Development; Joy Hurst, Accountant, Business Services; Michelle Brandin, Executive Assistant (recorder)

Public Input

There were no requests to speak to the subcommittee members.

Action/Discussion Items

1. Approval of Minutes

Patricia Lock-Dawson moved and Kathy Allavie seconded the approval of the May 2nd 2019 meeting minutes, as presented.

2. Preliminary SBAC

Staff provided an overview of the preliminary scores from the 2018-19 administration of the Smarter Balanced year end assessments. It was noted that there were initial declines particularly in Math because of the adoption of a new curriculum, which was anticipated. As this adoption has taken place, RUSD staff has anticipated the need of parent workshops including an online resource for parents to access videos to demonstrate how the work is being taught to students. In addition, staff is also planning to host parent workshops by cluster to ensure more parents have the opportunity to understand the new curriculum.

RUSD staff is working to find exemplary examples throughout the district, where schools are hitting the mark when research shows they shouldn't. Identifying best practices, focusing on building capacity and sharing throughout RUSD.

3. Disproportionality

The committee received an update about the disproportionality within RUSD. NEED MORE INFO.

4. Homework Policy

Staff provided updates to the process of revising the Board Homework Policy where feedback is currently being analyzed from sites and parents. Through this feedback, staff has found input to significantly vary across grade levels regarding the amount of homework given at school sites.

Through this process, staff also found that issues arose around access; establishing that homework truly has concerns regarding equity as approximately 13% of students did not have a place to do their homework at home. Another concern that arose was the weighting of grade, as teachers have a wide range of how they are scoring assignments. Staff is currently looking at what can be done based on what is equitable and within Ed Code.

5. The Guide for Instructional Direction

The committee received a report regarding the updates the Guide for Instructional Direction including background about how Guide was initially created, and the process for revisions.

The Guide for Instructional Direction serves as a means to provide coherence within the organization. Through a vetting team, it was determined that the Guide should also include encompass classified employees as well as certificated. The final version of the Guide is anticipated to be ready by late July, and will be presented to the Board of Education and RUSD staff in early August.

6. Schedule of Meetings

The next subcommittee meeting is scheduled for August 7, 2019 from 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm at the RUSD District Office, 3380 14th Street, Riverside, CA 92501.

Conclusion

Subcommittee Members Comments

Mrs. Lock-Dawson thanked everyone for attending.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:01 a.m.