

VENTURA COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Dr. César Morales, County Superintendent of Schools



SARB Minutes March 8, 2023 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM Virtual

Attendees: Stacy Afsahi, Shauna Ashmore, Carol Bjordahl, Christina Catapang, Carlos Covarrubias, Phyllis Franco, Ray Gonzales, Alfredo Gutierrez, Heather Johnson, Kelli Litchfield, Laurel McWaters, Jose Ramirez, Christina Rayos, Stefan Sisman, Hannah Taylor, Jose Torres, Nadia Villapudua, Dr. Consuelo Hernandez Williams, Mike Winters, Connie Wright

- I. Welcome Dr. Consuelo Hernandez Williams/Mike Winters/Stefanie Rodriguez https://bit.ly/VC-SARB Mr. Winters welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- II. Review of Minutes, February 8, 2023
 Mr. Winters asked that everyone review the minutes from the February 8th meeting (previously emailed).
 All were in favor and approved the minutes.
- III. Public Comments NONE
- 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 Dr. Hernandez Williams shared how referrals are being processed and the current counts. Odyssey has 11 students, Gateway has 76 students and Providence has 54 students.
 - Dr. Hernandez Williams shared an update on AB2083. Wants to ensure all families are accessing all the agencies. She shared there are many robust services, but a family might not know how to navigate all the resources. A training was held in July where all agencies have champions that will roll out trainings. Starting to explore how probation and the agencies can use the services we have; one example to share are the wellness centers. How might we partner so that all agencies might work out of a wellness center from 6-8 pm when the wellness centers aren't being utilized. Best example comes from what was done in March, onset of the pandemic, everyone came together; that made the community have access to vaccinations and other services. Dr. Hernandez Williams wants to make sure everyone has the update for the ICPM; a one page at a glance that will be distributed soon and she asked that everyone please feel free to use during any interventions that come up.

Dr. Hernandez Williams shared that the third annual Equity Conference was held last night. 430 people registered. Various agencies were present at the event. Dr. Hernandez Williams thanked all who were at the event with tables.

- Dr. Hernandez Williams shared that they are mid-way through the Safety Series. Staff from every school district participates in the Safety Series. They have onboarded all fire department representatives; law enforcement is represented as well.
- Behavioral Health Ms. Johnson shared they are still trying to hire staff. Ms. Litchfield may reach
 out to the team to ask if she join one of the SARB meetings. Ms. Ashmore has offered to host. Ms.
 Litchfield will add her email in chat so others can reach out.



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- o Public Health Ms. Franco introduced Mr. Torres as a new member to the Thrive SARB team.
- Human Services Agency/Children Family Services Nothing to report
- Human Services Agency/CalWORKS Ms. Rayos shared that the CalFresh emergency allotments are ending; they will end as of February, March 26 will be the last allotment. Ms. Rayos will share an updated food resource list with the team.
- Interface Children & Family Services Nothing to report
- Community Partners Nothing to report
- School Guidance Personnel Nothing to report
- Parent Nothing to report

Ms. McWaters shared there were 22 graduates from the parenting class. She thanked the public health nurses. Ms. Taylor shared that they will start new parenting classes on July 12; she will send flyers to Ms. Roman to add to the shared drive. The classes will be held in person based out of Oxnard. They are exploring virtual classes for the future.

V. Attendance Works

Attendance Awareness Campaign 2023 Webinar
Registration link:
https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN kAHs1LwPQzulGaWvrRel Q
Mr. Winters shared information regarding the upcoming Attendance Awareness Campaign 2023 webinar.

VI. State SARB

Next State SARB Meeting April 20, 2023; 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Registration link: https://www.cde.ca.gov/ls/ai/sb/sarbmeetings.asp Mr. Winters informed the group that the agenda for the next State SARB meeting is not posted yet, but once they post it, there will be a link on the agenda for registration. He informed the team that at the January 19th State SARB Meeting, Mr. Thurmond popped in to the meeting; as he takes chronic absenteeism seriously.

VII. SARB Member Questions/Insights/Best Practices

Ms. Villapudua shared she was very excited and inspired from letters from PVSD and the attendance works letters sent to her. Rio School District has worked to update truancy notices to parents, making the letters more parent friendly. They are in the process of translating the letters and hoping to have them ready to use them next week. Mr. Winters thanked Ms. Bjordahl for the sample letters she shared with Ms. Villapudua. Mr. Winters shared that the goal of SARB is to ensure that students are present at school and able to access the quality educational opportunities that are provided to them. When families come to SARB meetings we work with the family and our teams to determine what barriers are preventing a student from attending school and what resources the student or family may need. It is important to educate families and students on California's compulsory attendance laws. Since the CA School Dashboard records districts' chronic absenteeism data each fall, he suggested that districts run a report from their student information system (SIS) to identify students who are currently close to being chronically absent and work with families to ensure that students continue to attend regularly so they will not be chronically absent at the end of the school year. Dr. Hernandez Williams shared a tool to help intervene. She shared reports can be run from the student information system as Mr. Winters stated. Q SIS has District Pulse, which contains live data. The information will be highlighted in red for those students who are borderline chronically absent (absent 10% or more of the school year).



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VIII. Kids on the Move – Mr. Winters asked if anyone is looking for students. None were reported at this time.

IX. Upcoming Trainings/Workshops/Items and Resources

Event	Date	Location
MEP Saturday School Begins	October 1, 2022 - May 6, 2023	Various
Shop Talk for CTE Teachers - Public Services,		
Health Science & Medical Technologies	March 8, 2023	CESC
SSC/PD Meeting; School Safety, Security, &		
Emergency Preparedness Series; SARB Meeting	March 8, 2023	CESC
805 Industry Day Moorpark College	March 10, 2023	Moorpark College
Dia de Familia	March 11, 2023	CSU Channel Islands
Shop Talk for CTE Teachers - Engineering &		
Architecture, Information & Communication		
Technologies	March 16, 2023	CESC
Science Fair	March 24, 2023	CESC
FYSCP/FKCE Foster Youth Education		
Workshop	March 25, 2023	CESC
Migrant Education Speech & Debate		
Tournament	March 25, 2023	Oxnard Community College
Science Fair Awards	March 27, 2023	CESC
CTE Collaborative	April 27, 2023	Virtual
Battle of the Books	April 28, 2023	CESC
Teacher of the Year – VCOE	End of April 2023	School Location
Boswell Art Walk	May 2, 2023	Boswell School
SSC/PD Meeting; SARB Meeting	May 3, 2023	Board Room/Virtual
Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program &		
Homeless Education Program Executive		
Committee Meeting	May 11, 2023	CESC, Salon C
Foster Youth Services Coordinating Program		
Guardian Scholars Collaborative	May 11, 2023	CESC, Salon C
Student Art Show	May 18, 2023	Ventura County Museum - TBD
Impact II Awards	May 23, 2023	CESC
SSC/PD Meeting; SARB Meeting	May 31, 2023	Board Room/Virtual
Teach Scholars' Night	May 31, 2023	
Teacher of the Year - Ventura County	End of May 2023	School Location

X. Next Meeting – May 3, 2023 Virtual

The meeting. adjourned at 2:37 PM