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Advisory Council Highlights

August 4, 2023

This newsletter is intended to inform the field. Please share this with your regional superintendents or any interested parties.

INTRODUCTION

Gary Waddell, Superintendent of Santa Clara Unified School District, opened the Advisory Council meeting by providing new members/visitors the opportunity to introduce themselves. The Council welcomed State Board Chair, Dr. Linda Darling Hammond to the meeting, Assemby staff member, Erin Gable, and CDE staff members.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S UPDATE

Executive Director Matt Navo, began his Executive Director Update by introducing the purpose of the meeting to discuss the ongoing challenges associated with the Chronic Absenteeism metric for the State of California.

The CCEE is a statewide organization created in 2013 to advise and assist Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) and the County Office of Education (COE) in accomplishing the goals identified in their Local Control Accountability Plans (LCAPs). If you would like more detailed information on the CCEE and its current initiatives, please visit the CCEE website at https://ccee-ca.org/

HOT TOPICS: POLICY & LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Our Hot Topics focused on a discussion with Dr. Linda Darling Hammond, California State Board of Education President, on what needs to change in state policy to enable students to learn and address the challenges that California faces. Dr. Linda Darling-Hammond introduced the topic by providing context for members: (See link to more detailed discussion notes).

- Appreciation for CA educators and recent work under difficult circumstances
- Chronic absenteeism continues to be challenging in addressing the ongoing effects of pandemic and climate disasters
- How do we maintain valid indicators and enable education to continue in productive ways when it can't always involve seat time?
- How do we take advantage of the innovations that emerged from the pandemic?

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CCEE Executive Director

Matt J. Navo

- 2023-24 Meeting Dates

(Times: 9:00a.m. - 10:30 a.m.)

October 6, 2023

December 8, 2023

February 2, 2024 (In person ACSA

Symposium)

April 5, 2024

June 7, 2024

Links / References

- Agenda for Aug. 4, 2023
- AC Bylaws

- How can we be more student centered and relational/supportive?
- How do we think about continuity of instruction in times of emergencies and potential pandemic surges?
- How can the rules be rethought as needed to build the system we want to build?
- How do we allow districts to incentivize attendance and potentially get credit for makeup days, Saturday school, summer school, and other strategies

A rich discussion followed during which members shared examples from districts and counties throughout California and addressed the following points, among others:

- The importance of a robust continuity of learning plan
- Consideration for credit for extended learning opportunities
- Rural broadband and connectivity remains an issue
- Challenges with how attendance is recorded, including in virtual academies
- Shifting from a compliance mindset to being responsive to individual circumstances

CCEE HIGHLIGHTS

Executive Director Matt Navo highlighted that the CCEE is currently implementing over 50 initiatives across the state. He shared the CCEE visual and sought input from the Advisory Council on what the visual should do. Members shared perspectives. Executive Director Navo shared an update on CCEE work 2023; how the work is organized and the impact, and a listing of CCEE initiatives.

- The AC weighed in on the Statewide System of Support visual. The AC were asked to answer the current question related to the State System of Support (SSOS) (see link)- Open Mic-Jamboard was provided for soliciting ideas/questions/thoughts on how the SSOS working group might better represent who and what is available via the SSOS. If you have ideas on what you want to the SSOS visual to do please let me know and I will pass along to CCEE.
- LK Monroe, former County Superintendent and CCEE Board Member, and Michelle Maygar, CCEE Executive Advisor, shared draft wireframes that would improve access to the field and provide the CCEE website the most intuitive version for ease of access. To see the proposed wireframes link here. If you have thoughts on the CCEE proposed wireframes please let me know and I will pass along to the CCEE communications team.
- Executive Director Navo highlighted action that resulted from the last AC meeting. He then provided members with upcoming 23-24 meeting dates, an evaluation of the meeting, and the meeting was adjourned.

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