

STUDENT EDUCATIONAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

January 5, 2012 12:00 pm  
County Office of Education  
1290 Ridder Park Drive  
San Jose CA 95131

MINUTES

Present: Roy Bennett, Ann Whyte, Michele Syth, Kathy Gargiulo, Leslie Griffith, Nancy Birenbaum, Annie Corbett  
Guest: Jason Laker, SJSU

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:04 by Roy Bennett, Chair.
2. There were no public comments.
3. The minutes of 12/8/11 were approved.
4. Brochures

Ann is continuing to try to see if she can get the funds for printing the brochure this year instead of waiting until next year. There have been some changes at CAC which make this seem possible. This committee has some unused funds which we could ask to have moved to cover part of this, but we would need other committees to contribute some of their unused funds as well.

5. Collaboration Training

The committee agreed that the idea of a program on social media would be interesting. This would include bullying, but other topics as well. It would not be focused on issues surrounding adult predators on line. Instead, it will be focused on student-to-student issues. Roy, Nancy and Michele will look for some suggestions for presenters. The Training will be held 3/29/12, 3:30-5:30, at COE.

6. Tutor Connection

Jason Laker from SJSU was present for a discussion of the concept of Tutor Connect as well as a discussion of how he and SJSU might partner with us on this. He is a professor in counselor education and was previously a Vice-President. He is very interested in the idea and feels he might be able to identify someone at SJSU who would want to champion this. He will assist that person, but does not feel that he is the right one to take it on. We decided that he will pursue this at SJSU, and we will include it in our plans for next year so we can hopefully have a small budget to assist with initial costs or provide funds for expenses incurred by the person and possibly a small grant/honorarium.

7. Executive Committee Report

The Public Awareness Committee has asked us if there are any activities we do in connection with Blue Ribbon Month (Child Awareness Month) in April. We do not, but would be happy to assist that committee with their plans if they involve schools or school related issues.

8. The committee reviewed the workplan/budget from this year and made changes as needed. It was felt that we will continue doing most of the same things we are already doing, but with emphasis on different aspects. It was moved (Birenbaum)/seconded (Syth) and passed unanimously that we accept the workplan/budget for 2012-2013.

9. The next meeting will be 2/9/12 at Roy's office.

10. The meeting was adjourned at 1:08.