

SARB Minutes
September 15, 2021
1:00 PM to 3:00 PM
Zoom

Attendees: Carol Bjordahl, Amber Bowman, Letitia Bradley, Bartley Brown, Cheryl Burns, Maureen Byrne, Robert DeCandia, Phyllis Franco, Sonia Garcia, Alfredo Gutierrez, Amber Henrey, Liz Jimenez, Christina Mahone, Laurel McWaters, Jenna Pujol, Jose Ramirez, Chris Ridge, Stefanie Rodriguez, Shannon Houston Scott, Gina Simonsgaard, Stef Sisman, Justus Spillner, Colleen Steed, Jennifer Sumpter, Nadia Villapudua, Consuelo H. Williams, Mike Winters, Taylene Yniguez

Mr. Winters welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked that everyone add their name, role and district name in the chat box.

Mr. Winters asked everyone to review the minutes from the August 11th meeting (previously emailed). The minutes were reviewed and approved.

Public Comments

There were none.

Reports

- District Attorney's Office – Ms. McWaters introduced Ms. Byrne to the group. Ms. McWaters informed the group that Mr. Spillner will be taking on Ms. McMurdo's SARB meetings. Ms. McWaters will also be taking over some SARB meetings while Ms. McMurdo is out. Ms. McWaters shared information regarding a flyer containing information warning the community about notary fraud. In California, it is a crime to practice law or give legal advice without being a licensed attorney. Unfortunately, there are people who target immigrant communities claiming to be attorneys by using the title "notario". Discussion ensued about the legal advice being given to community members. Ms. McWaters will send the flyers to Aurelia to upload to the shared drive.
- Public Defender's Office – Nothing to report.
- Probation Agency – Nothing to report.
- Gateway Community School – Nothing to report.
- Behavior Health – Nothing to report.
- Public Health – Ms. Franco informed the group that staff has been helping at vaccine sites and are helping with referrals; Ms. Franco was happy to share they were able to link a young man with homeless resources. She introduced Jennifer Sumpter, Dominguez Hills BSN student that is joining the SARB meeting today.
- Human Services Agency/Children Family Services – Nothing to report.
- Human Services Agency/CalWORKs – Nothing to report.
- Community Partners – Mr. Winters shared an email from Ms. Cervantes with Interface Children & Family Services, as she was not able to attend the meeting today and asked that the following information be shared with the group: We have been receiving a large number

of referrals since in person school began. We are still actively running our youth shelter (ages 12-17), we can house up to 6 youth at a time. At the moment there are only 3 beds available for youth who may qualify for our services. Best way to refer or ask for more information is through our 24/7 crisis line (805)469-5882.

SARB Member Questions/Insights/Best Practices

Mr. Winters asked if there were any questions, insights or best practices anyone would like to share with the group. Ms. McWaters asked that districts please send Ms. Wright their SARB agendas as soon as they can. Ms. Wright would like to receive the agendas a week before the scheduled SARB meetings.

Mr. Winters asked if there were plans to have the SARB meetings in person. He stated that he recently received approval to have in-person meetings. A few districts shared how their district is conducting the meetings. Conejo is currently in negotiations, but at this time they will continue virtual meetings until at least December. Pleasant Valley will give parents a choice, but if more than ten people attend the meeting, the meeting will be held virtually. Oceanview will hold their meetings via zoom until at least December. Oxnard Elementary will hold their meetings via zoom. Oxnard Union will hold their meetings in person, socially distanced or via zoom.

Dr. Williams asked how the notifications are going as a preventative measure. She asked the group to share different strategies that are working. Mr. Winters stated that the first SARB letter includes Ed Code information. A letter is sent out before that first letter. It is a courtesy letter which states that your child is getting close to being truant; they use this letter as a form to communicate with the parent. Dr. Williams asked if other districts are sending out these courtesy letters and if they were willing to share. Mr. Winters and Ms. Burns will share their courtesy letter.

Kids on the Move

Mr. Winters asked if there was anyone trying to track down a student. None at this time.

Attendance & SIS

Ms. McWaters stated that if students qualify they can do Independent Study (IS). Asked if a student with COVID symptoms or a student that tested positive is excused? AB 130 and AB 167 were discussed. There is a variety of ways students can get the work done through the short-term IS contract. Ms. Garcia asked a question regarding her personal experience with her son. He was ill and not allowed to return to school. Ms. Garcia asked how long he can be out. How will these students be coded? Dr. Williams asked if the student could possibly go back on assignment recovery so that the student's attendance would not be impacted. Ms. Steed said that would not be possible. Ms. Steed suggested a short-term IS contract if the student is well enough to do the work. A contract would have to be signed. A child that is sick would be coded excused absence. Ms. Burns asked about apportionment for quarantine. Ms. Steed gave an example of a student on quarantine for ten days, parent signed a short-term IS contract. The student completes eight out of the ten days, the eight days would be marked IS short completed and the two other days would be marked IS short incomplete. Eight days would be considered present because the work was completed and two days

would be IS incomplete. Dr. Williams shared a link on the chat box to a one page short term IS form that can be shared with district team members.

Upcoming Trainings/Workshops/Items

Mr. Winters reviewed the upcoming Trainings/Workshops/Items

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

- August 13, 2021 F3 Workshop - AB 130
<https://f3law.zoom.us/j/91814185792?pwd=Nm1tMS9UWFFZcHlzdEZqd2R5a2F0UT09>
- September 1 & 2, 2021 Co-Teaching 101
- September 8, 2021 Learning Loss
- September 23, 2021 Best Practices for Enrollment, Custody, and Records
- September 23 & 24, 2021 Adult SEL Conference
- October 21, 2021 Co-Teaching 101 Refresher
- October 21, 2021 Student Discipline & the Expulsion Process
- December 14, 2021 School Attendance: Systems and Accountability & Supervisor of
Attendance Certification Training
- February 3, 2022 Annual Legislative Update
- May 16, 2022 VCOE Equity Conference

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Meeting

- October 13, 2021 ZOOM