



SANTA MONICA - MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Early Care and Development District Advisory Committee
MINUTES

Wednesday, March 11, 2020

6:00pm – 7:30pm

- I. Call to Order – made by Iao Katagiri at 6:04pm
In attendance – Gary Huff, Iao Katagiri, Natasha Kingscote, Raven Kras, Kristina Lizama, Laura Manson, Susan Samarge-Powell, Ben Swett
Absent – Jon Kean, Laurie Lieberman
- II. Public Comments – None
- III. General/Old Business – Approval of Minutes from the 1/8/2020 meeting as amended with the recommendation of adding “announcements” to the agenda.
- IV. Board Liaison report – No Board report as Board Members Liberman and Kean were absent
- V. SMMUSD Staff Reports
 - a. Program Updates – Dr. Susan Samarge-Powell shared that CDS is working with the district to monitor the COVID-19 virus. Right now, all programs will remain open, but we are recommending any student with any form of illness remain home.
 - b. Dr. Samarge-Powell reminded the board that Early Learning and Care Division (ECLD) Contract Monitoring Review from the state will occur at the end of March; all members were notified that they may be interviewed as part of the review
- VI. New Business
 - a. The Early Learning Update will take place at the School Board meeting on 4/1; Dr. Samarge-Powell asked for suggestions from DAC members regarding the presentation; suggestions included utilizing data to show the overall program; provide information about plans for the upcoming school year; discuss growth opportunities
 - b. Final recommendations were made to the End of Year DAC Charges report; this included a few small word adjustments and the recommendation that we change “General Program Operations” to “Operations” in the descriptive word introducing the final charge.
- VII. Announcements – Member Katagiri announced that the RAND conference, originally scheduled for 3/30, would likely be rescheduled due to the COVID-19 virus to September or October
- VIII. Adjournment was at 7:25pm