

PLACENTIA-YORBA LINDA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S TEACHER ADVISORY COUNCIL

Wednesday, October 12, 2022, 3:45 p.m.
PYLUSD Board Room

TAC MEETING MINUTES

WELCOME/INTRODUCTIONS

Dr. Linda Adamson, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Dr. Adamson opened the meeting by welcoming the 2022-2023 TAC members, thanking them for their time, and reminding everyone of this year's theme - Mission Possible. Staff and teachers each took a moment to introduce themselves and share a proud moment from their site. Teamwork, positivity, the excitement of students, and returning to "normal" were common themes heard throughout the room.

TAC MEETING DATES/ROLE/FORMAT

Dr. Linda Adamson, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

Meeting dates for the 2022-2023 year were reviewed, including the purpose and format of the January LCAP input meeting. These meetings will be an opportunity for the district to share updates and important announcements, while members are asked to share their perspective, feedback on issues that arise, and best practices, as well as take things learned back to the school sites.

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Dr. Mike Matthews, Superintendent

Dr. Matthews expressed thankfulness for the TAC members, his anticipation of feedback from this advisory group, and the opportunity to be better. He discussed his recent visits to various classrooms and consistently found warmth, professionalism, and great work happening with students. One of the most important things the Superintendent can do is to share the truth about what happens in our classrooms. The district will work on compiling guidelines on how we can do great things wisely so teachers can be supported in their daily work. Please reach out if you have any input on items to include in the guidance so the district can provide support.

SAFETY UPDATE

Richard McAlindin, Assistant Superintendent, Executive Services

Mr. McAlindin reviewed two safety trainings that are scheduled for the 2022-23 school year. All TK-12 schools will participate in *Run, Hide, Fight* training for their specific sites with local police departments (Anaheim, Fullerton, Placentia, and OC Sheriff). The second training will be suicide prevention for all secondary school sites (students and staff) with Annette Craig of the *With Hope Foundation*.

A communication will be going out to all staff regarding the optional Crisis Go app. It will be an additional tool to be used during an emergency. The app allows for two-way communication between staff on a campus. One feature is that it syncs with Aeries and allows teachers to take attendance during a drill or emergency in lieu of a paper roster. It also allows staff to signal for help, such as during a medical emergency. Sites will continue to use other forms of communication (email, PA system, etc).

In response to the recent surge in fentanyl overdose across the country, the health services team is preparing to have Naloxone (name brand Narcan) on site at all TK-12 campuses. The nurses submitted the application and are hopeful to receive it within the next 6-8 weeks. Principals will be asking their sites for volunteers who would like to be trained to administer the drug as needed. It is a prescription, given as a nasal spray, and as such, will be stored and locked in the admin/health office. Anyone administering the drug would be covered under the good samaritan law and not liable. Narcan cannot hurt anyone who is not having a reaction, similar to administering the EpiPen when someone is not in anaphylactic shock.

HUMAN RESOURCES UPDATE

Dr. Rick Lopez, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources

Dr. Lopez reiterated the district's commitment to wellness and shared the [flier](#) that should be posted at all school sites. There are several subcommittees that are working on additional wellness initiatives and it continues to be a focus of Cabinet.

HR is actively preparing for the 2022-23 teacher leadership academy. There are a variety of leadership opportunities in the district - Classified, Teacher, AP, and Aspiring Leaders. The teacher focused academy is not necessarily to fulfill administrative positions, but to teach how to lead from within at the school site level. The deadline to apply is Sunday, October 16.

Recruitment efforts are an ongoing process. Dr. Lopez expressed his thanks for teachers and staff welcoming the new principals and staff members at their sites. The district has started the year in a position of strength as they retained the resident sub position at all school sites. HR remains diligently active at all job fairs, colleges, and IS even hosting its own PYLUSD job fairs.

Employee of the year nominations open November 7 and close December 9. All employees who are nominated receive a letter acknowledging their nomination and expressing thankfulness for living out the district's core values.

TECHNOLOGY UPDATE

Jeremy Powell, Chief Technology Officer

Due to staffing and supply chain issues, Technology staff has completed about half of the work that was planned for completion over the summer months. Since the remaining classroom technology upgrades will be completed in the after hours and/or on weekends, the work will continue throughout the current year and through the summer. The modified schedule will be shared at the next principals meeting. The team is currently working to train the TOSAs on the new technology capabilities in order to facilitate required training at the school sites. Additionally, the district is aware that many of the chromebooks are old and in need of replacement. Technology Staff will be working with the District's Purchasing Department to develop a bid in order to facilitate replacement of the outdated units. We hope to take a bid to the Board for consideration in December. The retired computers will be used as class sets at the secondary schools.

DATA GALLERY UPDATE

Dr. Shelley Spessard, Director of Student Achievement and Support

Staff members are invited to attend the inaugural Data Gallery to share district level data and model signature practices. All employees - certificated and classified - are welcome and encouraged to attend. There will be information about this event coming out next week. Stay tuned!

SCIENCE MATERIALS AND PD UPDATE

Dr. Linda Adamson, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services

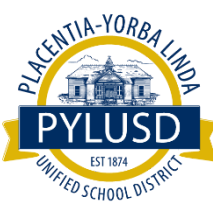




Dr. Adamson assured everyone that the district has heard the teachers' concerns about the rollout and distribution of the new TWIG science materials. She has seen firsthand the immense amount of time required to put the needed materials together to conduct the science lessons. Though these concerns are valid, she is currently working on a response to offer support, including additional hours and PD. The gift of time would be optimal, but unfortunately, subs are in short supply. Ed Services will be reaching out to pilot teachers to assist in the plan to provide additional PD, allowing pilot teachers the opportunity to share best practices as well as helpful tips and strategies. A pilot teacher in the room shared that TWIG is an incredible program, reminding everyone in the room that it received unanimous endorsement from those who piloted the materials last year. This is merely a speed bump in the rollout of the materials, in part due to supply chain issues from the vendors and publishers. Please know that support is coming.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Gina Aguilar, Director, High School Education

Each high school holds an annual showcase event for prospective parents to come on campus to experience the programs they offer. This event allows students and families to see what school might be the best fit for their student's high school career. Following is the schedule of this year's events.

High School Showcase 2022-23

				
Date	November 9, 2022	December 7, 2022	December 14, 2022	December 1, 2022
Day	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Time	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	6:00 pm	6:00 pm

ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR

1. *Do we know when test scores will be released?*

The state has indicated test scores will be released in mid-October. (Dr. Linda Adamson)

2. *Where will teachers be inputting writing scores this year?*

Technology is working on pushing this into Aeries, although it may not be as detailed. (Dr. Shelley Spessard)

3. *School sites love having a resident sub. Why can't these subs take a sub opportunity on campus?*

Generally, resident subs are not booked in advance. They are reserved for any "day of" emergencies. Resident subs are compensated when assisting other sites. The Board approved an additional 37 subs at the October 11 meeting. (Dr. Rick Lopez)

4. *There is no air in the locker rooms and they can reach 87 degrees by 10:00am.*

Our Maintenance & Facilities Team will follow up with school site administration regarding this inquiry. Each year the District's M&F Team performs a facility walk with each school site's administration. The school site visits are scheduled during the months of October and November this year. School site facility requests are then summarized and prioritized based on available funding. Once all school site facility visits are completed, the M&F team will estimate applicable project costs, identify potential funding sources, and prepare a list of priority facility projects for Executive Cabinet consideration. Any projects that are not

scheduled for completion will be tracked and considered for potential approval in subsequent years based on available funding. (Dave Giordano)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

The group ran out of the scheduled meeting time, and did not have an opportunity to discuss “Future Agenda Items” topics. As a result, a survey will be going out to all TAC members on what future agenda items would be helpful and engaging.

Next Meeting:

December 14, 2022

3:45 p.m.

Board Room