



Orange Unified School District  
District Advisory Council (DAC)  
**Meeting Notes**

Wednesday, August 26, 2020  
9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  
Virtual Meeting

Dr. Gunn Marie Hansen welcomed the District Advisory Council to the first meeting of 2020-21, held via Microsoft Teams due to Covid-19 and social distancing guidelines.

Dr. Hansen thanked the 34 participants for attending the virtual meeting and started with the following introductions:

- Cathleen Corella, Assistant Superintendent, Educational Services
- Ernie Gonzalez, Assistant Superintendent, Human Resources
- Elena Rodriguez, Executive Director, Accountability & Equity
- Dr. Sandy Schaffer, Administrator, Accountability & Equity
- Dave Rivera, Chief Business Officer (introduced later when he joined the meeting)

Topics discussed:

- Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan – Elena Rodriguez, Executive Director, Accountability, Equity and Engagement
  - Elena explained that this plan is a new state requirement
  - SB98 was signed into law on June 29<sup>th</sup> which postponed the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) and created a new document for the 2020-21 school year called the Learning Continuity and Attendance Plan (LCP). The Senate Bill includes requirements for distance learning and in-person instruction.
  - She shared the progress on the plan which is still in draft format
  - The LCP is a record of what we have done, are doing and will be doing during the 2020-21 school year.
  - The template was just released on August 1<sup>st</sup>, requires a public hearing, Board approval, and is due to the Orange County Department of Education by September 30<sup>th</sup>
  - The plan must be shared with the District Advisory Committee (DAC), as well as the District English Learners Advisory Committee (DELAC)
  - The District invites feedback from the community; Stakeholder Engagement included surveys for parents, staff, students and committees
  - OUSD Instructional Programming for all phases:

- SLICE –
  - S – Student Centered
  - L – Live Instruction
  - I – Innovative Learning
  - C – Culturally Inclusive
  - E – Equitable Choices
- In-person Instructional Offerings
- Distance Learning Plan
- Pupil Learning Loss
- Mental Health and Social Emotional Wellbeing
- Pupil Engagement and Outreach
- School Nutrition – over 225,000 meals served since last spring
- Increased and Improved Services for English Learners, Low Income and Foster Youth
- Covid-19 Relief Funds

Cabinet answered several questions from participants that were read by Dr. Shaffer before moving on to the next topic.

- Libraries are not open right now, but if the school communities need any specific supplemental needs they should reach out to the site principals
- Digital books are available online on the students’ dashboards
- Volunteer and Visitor Policy was just approved on Tuesday. The policy and procedures will be sent to Principals this week, restricting to “essential” only. There is a process that has to be followed, and volunteers will need to complete training.
- Elementary Waiver – Dr. Hansen, Superintendent
  - The state came out with guidelines for the elementary waiver on August 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - Based on scientific data - young children under 10 don’t spread the virus easily
  - Three things need to happen before applying for a waiver which is a complicated process:
    - Labor Unions and Employees need to be consulted
    - Support from the community
    - Health and safety measures need to be in place
  - OUSD is a large organization; Some small organizations have already gotten approval and started school
  - Safety of staff and students is of utmost importance
  - OUSD will use a phased-in approach to ensure the safety measures are in place including:
    - Handwashing
    - Plexiglass shields
    - Wellness checks
    - Sanitizing stations
    - Social distancing
  - Students and staff will be trained on protocols
  - Employees will be required to be tested for Covid-19 every two months; employees have insurance that will help cover the cost; additional resources are becoming available

Meeting adjourned at 10:52am. Next meeting will take place October 21, 2020.