



**GENERAL MEETING Joint Special Populations Advisory Committee (JSPAC) MINUTES Zoom
November 13, 2020 11:00am – 1:30pm**

PARTICIPANTS PRESENT:

K-12-Adult Representatives: Leslie Aaronson, Don Isbell, Pam Knapp, Karling Skoglund, Kristin Boroski, Chris Boynton, Jeff Ochs

Community College Representatives: Rosie Antonecchia, Kim Beaton, Maria Cavazos, Ashley Phillips, Adam Runyan, Sheryl Plumley, Freddy Saucedo, Windy Martinez,

Public/Private Representatives: Lisa Wilson, Susan Wheeler

Staff: Tonette Salter, Alyssa Bahr Casillas (Consultant)

Supporting Members: Alexander Berry, Carla Yorke, Jacquelyn Miller

State Representative: Charlene Cowan, Abby Medina Lewis

Absent: Rubie Acosta Macaraeg, Ajene Wilcoxson, Zenda Mitchell Abbott, Allison Burdett, Marie Ganister, Elodia Ortega-Lampkin, Christina Mulchahy, Carmen Lamha, Lavonne Slayton, Nichole Robinson CCCCCO representative

| TOPIC | PRESENTER | DISCUSSION / ACTION |
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| Call to Order/Member Welcome | Tonette Salter | The meeting was called to order at 11:08 am by Tonette Salter. A quorum was not established. Tonette facilitated Updates and Introductions. |
| Update/Introductions: Has funding allocation or opportunities influence priorities in remote learning for individuals who are classified as special populations at your organization, school, or institution? | All Kim Beaton Comm. Coll. Rep.) Freddy Saucedo (Comm. Coll. Rep/) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Used funds for supplies, books, and travel home • CARES funding based on specific needs including laptops, hotspots, etc. |

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| | <p>Kristen Boroski (K-12 Adult Rep.)</p> <p>Wendy Martinez (Community College Rep.)</p> <p>Lisa Wilson (Public/Private Rep.)</p> <p>Alex Berry (Supporting Member)</p> <p>Leslie Aaronson (K-12 Adult Education)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CARES Act funding has created opportunities at the district to look at professional learning. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ LGBTQ training ➤ African American Students ➤ Counseling ➤ Accelerated conversation of professional learning. • State or Chancellors office is not lessening allocations such EOPS and Disabled students. • Working with L.A. County: Global Trade & International Business • Highlight students assists and using them to inform their future careers • Monitoring enrollment figures from late Spring through late summer to asses the financial impact • Looking to measure how comically disadvantaged students faired during this period • Partnering with the community to come into classrooms and engage with students. One area that she is funding is getting professionals to speak to students. |
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| | <p>Alyssa Bahr Casillas (Staff)</p> | <p>Date: December 7-9th Cost: \$75 for three sessions plus bonus sessions Platform: WHOVA (desktop or app) 80 participants registered (as of 11/12/20) Participants will be sent download instructions via email</p> <p><u>Theme: Active Humanity (read by participant)</u> The Active process of bringing about a more humane world. It requires bravery, tenacity, humility and the ability to be introspective. Are we moving towards change by keeping the mirror present? What do you see in your reflection as an educator? Are you a part of the problem? Were you born as the problem? Were you born into the problem? JSPAC is hosting three days of virtual deliberation sessions that focus on the narrative and journey to active humanity, an approach that is an essential component to achieving educational equity.</p> <p><u>Origins of the theme:</u></p> <p>The humanity approach came from the issues of the pandemic, racial issues, and inequities. Humanity is lost in education. People are being excluded and JSPAC wants to think of individuals as humans first.</p> <p><u>The Humanity Approach – Monday Dec. 7th 8:30-12</u></p> <p>Deliberator: Berke Brown, Behavior Change Specialist</p> <p><u>Session:</u> For administrators, facility, teachers, counselors, equity coordinators, diversity and equity inclusion officers, and k-14 student leaders The session is designed to introduce you to the Humanity Approach. This Humanity Approach will orient participants to taking on small acts of activism in their professional lives; will help build progressive movements that can lead to massive activism that opposes present practices and policies that are not considered “active humanity.” The sessions will focus on constructive solutions for students.</p> |
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| <p>Deliberations Project Update</p> | | <p><u>Humanizing Data – Tuesday December 8th 8-11:30</u></p> <p>Deliberators: Ricardo Romanillos, NAPE Sr, Director of Programs Ashley Conrad, NAPE Associate Director of Programs</p> <p><u>Session:</u> Focuses on recognizing the human story that is told by the data. Using key performance indicators (secondary and pat secondary). This deliberation session will bring to the surface the voices, narratives and experiences of students that will inspire and drive actions that address institutional and programmatic equity gaps.</p> <p><u>Humanizing Virtual Learning – Wednesday December 9th 8-11:30</u></p> <p>Deliberator: Renee Marshall, Education Specialist</p> <p><u>Session:</u> Emphasizes the humanity that must exist in virtual educational environments, one that is inclusive of special population students – the marginalized, underrepresented and LGBTQ+ students. Attendees will explore the difference between crisis remote learning and intentional remote learning. These sessions will explore key models of virtual learning, essential principals of Universal Design for Learning, and strategies for connecting HUMANLY within a virtual educational environment. In addition, this session will introduce an authentic learning experience model, MERRI (Meaningful, Engaging, Relational, Relevant, Insightful), designed by JSPAC.</p> <p><u>Bonus Sessions: During 30-minute breaks</u></p> <p>Facilitator: Lisa Wilson</p> <p>CARE (Coalition on Anti-Racism Education): This professional learning opportunity will empower, advocate, and transform the lives who will fight for social justice and human rights towards an equitable and inclusive world for all people.</p> <p>Would like to facilitate dialogue during the bonus sessions.</p> |
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| | | <p>What is JSPAC’s role in the deliberations? Moderator: help facilitate live Q & A Aftermath: virtual meet-ups to discuss session topics Student voice: provide a student voice/lens on each deliberation session Exhibitor ideas: webpages for vendors, programs, service, etc. Data sample of key performance indicators for special populations in K-12 and Community Colleges Participants must sign up by Novemeber18th.</p> |
| <p>State Updates</p> | <p>Abby Medina Lewis (CDE Adult Education)</p> | <p><u>WIOA-AEFLA Grant Update</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Total for 2020–21: Just over \$103,000,000 • Grant Award Notices were released last month and all GANs have been signed and returned to our office as of October. Also, agency budgets have been approved and agencies have submitted their first quarter claims for reimbursement. The CDE’s Adult Ed office is processing those claims now. • Beginning this year the Adult Education Office is implementing the long-awaited Continuous Improvement Plan or CIP. The CIP integrates content from three previous WIOA II deliverables: – Professional Development Plan – Technology and Distance Learning Plan – Integrated EL Civics Education (IELCE) plan. So rather than 3 separate deliverables and deadlines, it will be 1 deliverable and 1 deadline. A document specifying what the report will look like should be available in December. The official plan will be open in mid-late February. <p><u>California Adult Education Program (CAEP)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CAEP Total state funding for 2020–21: \$538,564,000. CAEP July – October money is with the State Controllers and should be released by 11/19. Also, the November apportionment was sent to the controller on 11/12. We will start to process December apportionment next. • K–Adult programs received about 2/3rds of the funding |

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| | <p>Charlene Cowan (State Representative)</p> | <p><u>Student Technology Intake Survey</u></p> <p>In September's update, I talked about the Student Technology Intake survey. The survey has been released and the first quarter of the survey responses were sent out to adult education agencies last week. The next will go out mid-December.</p> <p><u>ANNOUNCEMENT:</u></p> <p>EL Civics Conference Sessions Occurring virtually on Fridays – first sessions on November 6th. Two dates scheduled in November – 11/6 and 11/20, and more coming up each Friday, continuing through March/April 2021. All of this information is in the www.casas.org.</p> <p>In partnership CALPRO one of our State Leadership Project partners we are pleased to announce and introduce the newest professional development offering, Success for all Learners through Equity. This is 16-hour community of practice that supports programs and education professionals in identifying implications of equity and inclusion, defining skills and actions of program managers, teachers, and staff to ensure equity, describing the concept of equity in the context of empowering students, and viewing policies and procedures through an equity lens. For details go to https://calpro-online.org.</p> <p><u>Perkins CTE Updates</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applications are in progress of being approved about 1/3 are getting approved by the CDE consultant • LEA's unsure of the status of their application can look in the PGMS system. If application is certified it is good, if it is pending with CDE it may need additional approval from consultant • Some applications may be outstanding because this is the first full year of implementation for Perkins 5 and the comprehensive local needs assessment. Many are redoing their application to more accurately reflect the needs due to the pandemic • Still collecting delayed assurances • Federal Program Monitoring is occurring virtually able to schedule virtual meeting and phone calls |
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| | Tonette Salter | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTE reporting has been in CalPADs. Reporting for the adult program is undergoing changes. Adult programs that have previously reported into CASAS, can continue to do so. • Adult Program information will be mined and presented to the Federal Government <p><u>JSPAC Updates:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JSPAC is working with NAPE and sits on their public policy committee (PPC). The PPC participated in a webinar about test vaccinations of Covid-19 and how it will work among the BIPOC community including how to encourage the community to take it • CCCAOE 2021 theme Modeling an Inclusive Leading to a Sustainable Call to Action Dates are March 3-5 Conference is March 9-11 & 16-18 • Teach-in for Los Angeles Consortium hosting virtual webinars and JSPAC presented on Equity in student self-autonomy. 67 registered and 32 participated • Couch Discussions between Students: Reimagining Education series will begin in 2021. Subjects are: Black African Males, Latinx Women, Students with Special Needs. In summer and spring populations will include LGBTQ. |
| <p>Breakout Session I: Responsibility Describe how you currently advocate for educational equity for special population students. Please have some documented responses and report out.</p> | <p>Freddy Saucedo</p> <p>Karling Skoglund</p> | <p><u>Group 1:</u> Freddy Saucedo: Function and roles differ depending on K-12 or College</p> <p>Kristen Boroski: Emphasize professional development</p> <p>Don Isbell: Continue to align with Perkins 5 and be mindful of metrics</p> <p>Alex Berry: Focus on student journey and advocate for professional development and data</p> <p>Ashley Phillips: Integrate equity and access within the masterplan recognize opportunities and strategize.</p> <p><u>Group 2:</u></p> <p>Adam Runyan: Bring relevant curriculum and policy and procedures to help provide equity</p> <p>Pam Knapp: Hold CTE director meetings and focus on equity through finding opportunities.</p> <p>Lisa Wilson: Hard work and heart work with career exploration programs</p> |

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| | | Karling Skoglund: Target opportunity for funding and grants and providing internships for underrepresented groups. |
| Breakout Session II – Reflection/Action How will you advance your advocacy for example in a practice/guideline that ensures equitable treatment and access? Who will be your commitment partner on the committee? | Freddy Saucedo | <u>Group 1</u> Ashley Phillips: Approach to inclusivity and communities by creating a grid tool to measure success Kristen Boroski: Check our guiding principals Kim Beaton: Continue to have ongoing equity training. Create a professional development plan Don Isbell: Support students in getting access to computers and wifi, but also look at the families of the students and the access they have. Does that access support the structure, have a holistic approach. |
| JSPAC Meeting | | December 11 th – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finalizing our role and responsibilities • By-Laws vs Guiding Principles, next steps of the advisory committee |
| Adjourned | | The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 |