



Opportunity Youth Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2018

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Present: Elizabeth Alvarez, Dana Bunnett, John Hogan, Steve Olmos, Laurie Pianka, Summer Reeves, Phil Morales

Recorder: Mike Ramer

Location: Morgan Hill Room

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Steve welcomed everyone to the meeting. Introductions followed.

2. Progress Report – 2016-17 – Enrollment, Attendance & Budget

- **Enrollment** - OYA Enrollment is at 233 with 77% attendance
- **Staffing** – Phil is working on staffing for the 2018-19 school year.
- **Budget** – With the increase in enrollment and attendance, OYA anticipates a \$260K shortfall next year, compared to a \$1.2M shortfall last year.

3. LCAP Update

Phil is working on the Annual Update and Goals for the 2018-19 LCAP. The OYA LCAP has 3 goals and 3 action items for each goal. He reviewed the measureable outcomes that apply to OYA. So far, OYA is meeting the outcomes.

- **Goal 1** - All students will participate in rigorous, relevant and engaging instruction aligned to 21st century skills to eliminate barriers and promote achievement.
 - 1.1 Develop ongoing professional development for SIATech curriculum in all subject areas.
 - 1.2 Develop an ELL curriculum for use with SIATech curriculum and/or purchase in intervention software and include professional development for teachers.
 - 1.3 Develop or purchase an accessible supplemental curriculum for students who are multiple grade levels behind in math and reading, and include professional development for teachers on how to differentiate SIATech curriculum.

- **Goal 2** - All students will leave prepared for a successful transition to college and/or career as a result of quality programs, services and curriculum.
 - 3.1 Improve community outreach and recruitment, including Family Nights at all sites.
 - 3.2 Develop a program to support student work production and retention, including intersession and student recognition.
 - 3.3 Develop a program for child care assistance at all sites.
- **Goal 3** - In partnership with community and family members, achievement levels will increase by engaging students in a rigorous curriculum in an environment that is culturally responsive and safe.
 - 3.1 Improve community outreach and recruitment, including Family Nights at all sites.
 - 3.2 Develop a program to support student work production and retention, including intersession and student recognition.
 - 3.3 Develop a program for child care assistance at all sites.

Map to Future helps students gain college access. Phil will add College Readiness to the LCAP. Counselors have already met with 114 of these students. Dana Bunnett suggested a bridge to college to reduce remediation. The College Entrance Exam will be given to students upon entry and exit to and from OYA to gauge the success of the program. Students are also exposed to financial aid.

OYA offered an intersession this year but very few students attended. The team will review and decide if it will continue to be offered. It's more beneficial to students who don't normally have access to the course materials outside of school.

Childcare assistance has been difficult and expensive. Phil is working with First 5 to explore options. OYA is not childcare certified.

LCAP Survey – Phil reviewed the questions and response rate. Most responses were either “agree” or “strongly agree.” Phil and his team will review how OYA did on their goals and note that progress under the Annual Update section. He will adjust the goals for next year to move students forward.

Dana says a state program may exist to help fund childcare. Phil is working with First 5 on this. He is searching for all programs that can benefit the students of OYA. Head Start isn't the best solution for many students due to the low income levels. Elizabeth Alvarez suggested calling it a child activity to access alternative funding. Phil continues to gather feedback and will continue to develop the LCAP. The survey was designed to go to everyone.

OYA is moving away from the Independent Study model and toward a blended learning model. All sites are using SiaTech. This has encouraged students to do more work.

4. Snell Site - Proposal

AED enrollment has declined substantially. As a result, Snell is now available to other programs. AED is also closing Edge/Peak. They are consolidating all their schools into Sunol. OYA, Head Start and Special Education may move into Snell.

5. Site Expansion Workgroup Update

The workgroup met one time but will restart soon.

6. Probation

Probation planned to move 18-24 year olds to Juvenile Hall but they have not moved forward with this plan. So the plan to establish an OYA site there hasn't gotten off the ground.

7. OYA Board Meetings

OYA Board Meetings are set for June 6, September 17 and December 10 at 4:30 pm. The April 9 meeting will start at 10:00 am. The governance structure will be discussed at the April meeting. The proposal is to maintain the Superintendent, 2 SCCOE staff who do not have a conflict of interest with OYA, and 2 outside representatives, probably from the Advisory Committee, plus a student representative.

8. Marketing

Phil announced that OYA will soon have a new website. It's expected to launch in the first week of May, thanks to Summer Reeves and many others. The new website will tie in social media. Every OYA site will have their own page.

A postcard mailing in English and Spanish to the Gilroy area is planned to improve enrollment in South County. Phil will do the same with Snell if that site opens.

9. Student Profile/Student Referrals

Phil has taken on some students referred from Probation. It was suggested to bring in employers to the OYA Graduations, or ask the graduates if OYA can give out their information to potential employers and/or colleges. Instead, OYA may be able to host a job fair for graduates. Or maybe offer a College Night.

The next OYA Graduation is June 7, 2018. Phil will send out a Save the Date to the Advisory Committee.