



Community Advisory Committee October 2, 2019

1300 17th St, City Centre, Room 318
Bakersfield, CA 93301
11:00am - 1:00pm
Agenda

CAC Chair: Saul Gonzaga

1. Welcome and Introductions – We have a new SELPA Coordinator – please welcome Melissa Wood!
2. Public Comment

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Kern County Consortium SELPA Community Advisory Committee (CAC) welcomes comments from the public at appropriate times during the meeting. The public may address the CAC concerning items on the agenda as those items are taken up prior to discussion and deliberation by the CAC. The public may also address the CAC on items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the Council, at the time designated.

To conduct CAC business in an orderly and efficient manner and allocate available time, each speaker must fill out a speaker card at the beginning of the meeting stating the speaker's name and the subject to be addressed.

Please wait to be recognized by the meeting Chair. Comments should be addressed to the CAC as a whole and not to individual CAC members or guests. Unless otherwise determined by the CAC, each person is limited to 3 minutes per item. If multiple speakers wish to speak on a specific item, the total time allotted will be 20 minutes.

Speakers should be aware that they may incur legal liability for statements made at a CAC meeting, particularly if the comments are not related to CAC business.

3. We need to elect a new CAC Parent Chair as PBVUSD is no longer in our SELPA – Thank you for your service, Saul, and your continued membership as a CA Spectrum Services representative!
4. Specially Yours Conference planning – where we're at today

- ❖ Date and location locked in – Friday 1/24/20 @ Hodel's
- ❖ Speaker – Karlyn, you are official!
- ❖ Presentation topics
 - The group agreed with the following topics: 'This is Our Town' – helping families identify the many resources available here in Kern County. Explaining what an educational program is, how they are developed, and how everyone can play a part in their implementation (i.e. schools, families, other service providers, etc.). Discuss the issues that come with labeling a child and how we can come together to overcome some of those assumptions (i.e. "The child has ADHD- there's nothing we can do to help that", when in fact, there are many things we can do to help.). The group also added it would be important to discuss data- how it can be utilized to guide our decision-making when it comes to designing programs, empowering parents, and helping children.
 - Karlyn recommended that the committee reach out to the community in effort to develop a "resource flyer" for parents with special needs children. It would be nice to include information such as the movie day put on by Maya Cinemas, dentists and doctors that specialize in treating children with special needs, etc. Rebecca recommended spearheading this effort by emailing the vendors from the last event for leads – Lee will email the vendors and report back on what he learns.

5. More things that have been accomplished and/or in process since our last CAC meeting:

- ❖ Save the date flyer went out to vendors and districts in May and we agreed to send another save the date in September (Lee did last week).
- ❖ Flyer is being drafted and will be distributed to CAC, districts, and vendors (from last event) on November 1st, 2019.
- ❖ Registration for parents and vendors opens November 1st, 2019.
- ❖ Event will be advertised via KCSOS Facebook page and "KCSOS Connect" (a bi-monthly e-newsletter to districts) in November.
- ❖ A news release will be done in early January (about 3 weeks before) on both KGET and KBAK morning programs.

- The group would like the news channels to show these segments in the evenings as well so we're sure to reach more parents.
 - The group would also like to make a bigger push with the local radio stations, including the Spanish stations.
- ❖ Alternative Dispute Resolution will have a vendor booth again this year!

6. Does anyone have additional people willing to assist/volunteer for event?

This is what we know we will need for sure:

- ❖ Vendor Check-in: Dolores Patricio & Ana Gomez
- ❖ Parent Check-in: (Would like to have CAC parents in these roles, if possible) ***will revisit this next meeting when we have more parents in attendance***
- ❖ Spanish Parents Check-in: ***will revisit this next meeting when we have more parents in attendance***
- ❖ Centerpieces: Districts/School Sites – Lee & Melissa
- ❖ Vendor Recruit: Rebecca Murillo and Chris White
- ❖ Swag Bags: Still have some HEARTS bags from last time but will need more (HEARTS has more and has kindly offered to provide them!) – all organizations/vendors will be asked to give something to be added to the bags – Anyone want to coordinate these efforts (should team with vendor recruit person)? Rebecca Murillo will coordinate this. Vendor swag, including a \$25 raffle prize, will need to be dropped off the SELPA no later than Friday January, 17th (a week before event).
- ❖ Event Set-up: The entire subcommittee! (and anyone else willing to help)
 - Set-up will take place Thursday afternoon (pending room availability at Hodels – Lee/Melissa will keep checking with them as date nears to see when we can arrive)

7. Centerpieces: Any districts interested?

- ❖ CA Spectrum Services and Caring Corner both volunteered to create a centerpiece for the event! The districts were asked at the last SEAC meeting – several districts expressed interest!
 - Centerpieces should be no larger than a dinner plate in circumference and no taller than 12 inches or so (tables have limited room and we don't want the centerpieces to hinder parent conversations).

- ❖ Should probably to have them due to Lee/Melissa a week before the event (1/17/18)
 - ❖ They can be stored at SELPA until the event
 - ❖ Will be given to parents at end of day (have stickers under chairs/ ticket winners for remaining)
8. Lanyards with Specially Yours badges will be available for all day-of volunteers
9. Other things discussed at last subcommittee meeting:
- ❖ Rebecca mentioned she'd like to again have a pizza party offered for the centerpiece voted "best" by parents.
 - ❖ Caitlin asked if there would be interest in involving local first responders – how to prepare and help you child in case of an emergency. The group liked this idea – Caitlin will look into it.
10. Things we should decide today:
- ❖ Keep parent charge at \$10?
 - ❖ Vendor charges - \$25 (per person planning to eat) plus \$25 raffle donation (per vendor)
 - ❖ Conference Agenda – start speaker a little earlier?
 - 8:30a Registration
 - 8:30a-9:30a Vendor Fair
 - 9:30a-11:30a Keynote Speaker
 - 11:30a-12:30p Lunch/Vendors
 - 12:30p-2:30p Keynote Speaker (earlier out to accommodate those who were unable to stay last year)
 - 2:30p-3:30p Vendor Fair
11. Missing anything?
12. Community Updates: What's new in your organization?
13. Next CAC Meeting and Location:
- ❖ Tuesday December 3, 2019. KCSOS City Centre Room 318, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Topic: Specially Yours Parent Conference
14. Next CAC Specially Yours Subcommittee Meeting and Location:
- ❖ Tuesday October 15, 2019. KCSOS City Centre Room 326, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Topic: Specially Yours Parent Conference

15. Adjournment