

Santee Community Collaborative
COLLABORATIVE
Meeting Minutes of March 21st, 2024
In-Person
Santee, CA 92071

Welcome & Introductions – Janessa called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m. Members/Guests present: 22 guests.

Review of Agenda & Minutes – A motion was made by Sabrina/Kiki to approve today's agenda and a motion was made by Jean/Eddie to approve the February minutes.

San Diego County Office of Education (SDCOE) – Dr. Monica Loyce and Robert Carillo presented on Community Schools and how community-based organizations can be in partnership with, and support of, the Community Schools strategy for school improvement. Mr. Carillo offered background information on SDCOE. He also mentioned the challenge that the county faces; half of our students and their families struggle to afford safe housing and transportation, buy enough food, and access quality health care. This need creates an opportunity to position our schools to become places of community transformation and more opportunities for social mobility. This would allow for schools to listen and respond to their unique community needs and bring their community together with outside organizations. Dr. Loyce shared that a Community School is both a place and a set of partnerships between a school and other community resources. Its integrated focus on academics, services, support, and opportunities leads to improved student learning, stronger families, and healthier communities. The goal of Community Schools is to create, reflect, and sustain positive school cultures and increase outcomes for students and families in our school communities. Dr. Loyce explained the framework behind the Community Schools initiative. Monica discussed the purpose of the Needs and Asset Assessment (NAA). The NAA must be collaboratively developed by, for, and with interest holders - students, staff, families, and community members - for deep engagement, and resulting in a transformational, shared vision for their school and community; executed well, it creates not only shared understanding about needs and assets of a school and community but fosters collective responsibility and accountability for outcomes related to a shared vision of student success. She further discussed the details, engagement, and how to use data from the NAA. Lastly, Janessa went over the next steps for the Santee Community Collaborative, which includes identifying trends/gaps, gathering data, and creating an NAA and the next steps for the Santee School District, which includes being a part of the California State Community Engagement Initiative, Cohort 5. We will provide PowerPoint and contact information for this presentation.

Public Communication – None.

Announcements – There were various announcements from our collaborative members.

Adjourn – Meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Next Collaborative Meeting – Wednesday, April 24th, 2024 @ 3:00pm.