

Tri-Valley Educational Collaborative

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

March 14, 2013 - 8:00 am – 10:00 am

LVJUSD Board Room

685 E. Jack London Blvd., Livermore

In Attendance:

Karen McMahon, Mistee Guzman, Joan Laursen, Jackie Lawson, Carrie Bennett, Nichole Slavec, Janice Noble, Anne White, Holly Galaway, Gloria DaSilva, Shephanie Maimoni, Vicki Schellenberger, Janet Lockhart, Joe McNealy, Jorja Ivie, Sean Kenney, Pam Williams, Kim Halket, Susan Ballas, Cathy Wolfe, Valerie Arkin, Jacqie Barker, Glen Sparks, Nadine Horner, Debbie Harvey, Julie Duncan, Bill Branca, Kim, Shay Galletti, Kelly Zummo, Amy Robbins, Kit Little, Bryce Custodio, Kim Halket, Tom Curl, and Donna Geier

I. Welcome and Introductions

Introductions were made for Pleasanton Board Member Joan Laursen, Foothill instructors Ken Cuozzo and Josh Hill, Susan Ballas from East Bay Community Services and Jacqie Barker from Pleasanton School District.

Ms. Duncan publicly thanked Shay Galletti and Vicki Shipman for working out the articulation process since the December 13 General Meeting.

Glen Sparks moved, Jorja Ivie seconded, and motion passed to approve the December 13, 2013, General Meeting minutes.

II. Junior Achievement Program

Julie Duncan introduced Mr. Todd Halverson, Senior District Manager, who represents the Junior Achievement Program of Northern California serving the tri-cities of Livermore, Dublin, and Pleasanton as well as San Ramon and Castro Valley to Fremont. They serve about 20,000 students with about 75% coming from the Livermore/Pleasanton/Dublin area. Their mission is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed in a global economy serving 12 million students in 123 countries worldwide.

They provide programs K-8 with a grade specific program and a whole menu of activities for high schools students from resume writing, interview techniques, financial planning, what's a credit score or checking account, business ethics, capstone supplements, job shadows and/or special events.

All their programs are volunteered-based with volunteers from the business community, employees, and teachers. Online simulations, materials, training and support are provided by Junior Achievement and correlate to the common standards.

Overview of Districts served: Pleasanton-2, 161 students; Dublin-3,939 (with a large elementary percentage); Livermore-1,666. The saturation at the school varies from classroom to school-wide depending on the Junior Achievement program, with most of the saturation at the elementary school level. Over 13,000 (out of 63,182) students and 78 schools are served in the Tri-Valley.

Programs are reviewed annually and updated every 3 years. Second and fourth grade programs have had a facelift this year with new modern information. Careers by Design and Finance Park Virtual are also new programs for this year that include financial planning and career exploration with a series of lessons that are volunteer/teacher led.

A Social Innovation Camp is planned for April 3, 2013, from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Bishop Ranch for high school students. There is room for up to 120 students; it is a project-based, intensive learning experience where students engage in and apply entrepreneurial and collaborative 21st century learning by solving societal challenges within the community. Students will be broken up into groups of 4 (teams) and have to come up with product or services that meet a criterion. They will be scored, and cash prizes will be awarded for this all day FREE event. Many businesses will be there showing collaboration as judges and mentors; partnerships include 24 Hour Fitness, Robert Half International, AT&T, and GE.

Teachers can contact Junior Achievement if they are thinking about a program or if you have a specific interest, they can reach out and generate the interest for you.

III. Innovation Tri-Valley

Ms. Duncan introduced Janet Lockhart who spoke on behalf of Dale Kaye who couldn't be in attendance. As a result of a meeting this week, they divided into committees with her group being the Education component. Since there are a number of groups trying to connect business with education, for Innovation Tri-Valley to work, it has to be different and innovative. One of their first projects is for a Bill and Melinda Gates Award that requires innovation and creativity. The project will hopefully become a formula allowing a problem to be put in one end and a solution to come out at the other end. The Innovation Tri-Valley's purpose is to brand this region as a region of innovation. Dale Kay left the Livermore Business Chamber to become the CEO of Innovation Tri-Valley, so it will be more business-focused. The Wentz Family is hosting an event (in the next week) for Innovation Tri-Valley and has invited business people throughout the valley. Silicon Valley, who understands they are getting over built and out of space, supports

the Tri-Valley area as well. The majority of the members are business people. Meetings will be held every three months, and sectors/committees will form their own meetings and report back to the large group. Sectors include marketing, education, and business among others. The business community wants to understand their region better, be connected to other businesses, and supports education in the valley and involvement.

IV. Announcements and Closing

Ms. Duncan identified the power in this group by noting Ms. Lockhart's role in helping secure Nursing Funds this year from Supervisor Haggerty's office.

Nadine Horner, LLNL (Lab) Public Affairs Office, made the following announcements:

- Dr. Tammy Jernigan and Dr. Jeff Wisoff will be giving a free presentation about what it means to be an astronaut at the Bankhead Theater on March 27, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. All children are free with an accompanying adult (who is also free with a child). Secondly, LLNL does Science on Saturdays at the Bankhead and has recently given each school district \$10,000. This is done once a year to partnering school districts.
- Ms. Horner acknowledged Dr. Noble at Las Positas who acted quickly and hosted the lab when they needed a place to host "Expanding Your Horizons" hands-on workshop.
- The Lab will be offering Teacher Research Academy Programs this summer. Teachers can learn while receiving a stipend and/or course credit if needed. This year's select area of study is the Common Core. More information is available on their website.
- March is Women's History Month, and the Lab will be profiling their women scientists. There is a huge discrepancy in how many girls are coming out of colleges and Ph.D. programs interested in the sciences. Educators can pull two minute videos off the web to use in their classroom; the social media Pinterest has also been used to help with this effort. Five videos are in production.

Bill Branca, Assistant Principal at Dublin High School and also principal for DPIE (Dublin Partners in Education) Summer Academy, announced the upcoming DPIE Summer Enrichment Academy which served about 200 students last year in the Tri-Valley. The need came from school districts that can no longer afford to offer an enrichment program. It is a fee-based program that offers students the ability to advance in courses that they have a hard time fitting in their schedules. More information is available at www.dpie.org.

Glen Sparks, Pleasanton Career Technical Education Coordinator, announced that the "Got Skills" event will take place on Thursday, March 14, 2013, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Pleasanton Training Center at 2350 Santa Rita Road, in Pleasanton. It is free to students, parents, teachers and administrators, no registration necessary, and

representatives from apprenticeship programs in the Skilled Union Trades will provide informative presentations related to career opportunities.

Fallon Middle School in Dublin is hosting the CJSF/CSF (California Junior Scholarship Federation/California Scholarship Federation), Conference on March 23, 2013 at Fallon Middle School in Dublin. This year's theme is "Believe, Relieve, Achieve: Creating the balance between your mind, body and school." There will be 35 workshops including mindfulness and stress reduction, meditation and yoga, stress and nutrition, among many others.

Glen Sparks introduced Dr. Odie Douglas, Pleasanton School District's Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services.

Ms. Duncan reminded everyone that the next meeting is the end of year celebration at Las Positas on Friday, May 3, 2013. More information will come.

V. District Team Meetings

TEC members broke into their district team meetings to meet for the last hour.

Future Meeting Dates: *May 3rd - Year End Celebration at Las Positas
College*

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