CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTION – DAC Chairperson, David Bame, called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m. and welcomed everyone. Before the meeting started, he reviewed the “Ground Rules” as a protocol in conducting these meetings. Mr. Bame, asked everyone to join him in a moment of silence remembering the tragic event from 17 years ago, September 11, 2001. The following schools gave a brief overview of their programs: Allen, Camarena, Casillas, Castle Park, Chula Vista Hills, and Chula Vista Learning Community Charter.

QUORUM CHECK – A quorum was established.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA - DAC Chairperson, David Bame, asked for approval of the September agenda. There were two amendments on item #10 to state Karla Ruiz, DELAC Vice-Chairperson, will be presenting in place of DELAC Chairperson, Elena Marquez; and on item #11 to include Elena Marquez, DELAC Chairperson. Gaby Coronado/Arroyo Vista Charter made a motion to approve agenda. Emma Schiltz/McMillin seconded the motion. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - DAC Chairperson, David Bame, asked for approval of the August minutes. Loreto Yuriar/Loma Verde Elementary School made a motion to approve minutes. Irazu Nogues/Feaster Charter seconded the motion. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF CALENDAR 2018-19 DAC/DELAC MEETINGS (Item 7) - DAC Chairperson, David Bame, asked for approval of the 2018-19 DAC/DELAC Meetings Calendar. Matthew Baker/Tiffany Elementary School made a motion to approve calendar. Terry Yates/Salt Creek Elementary School seconded the motion. Motion passed.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT - Dr. Escobedo shared that at the end of last school year, all fourth, fifth, and sixth graders took a Social and Emotional status survey. He continued by explaining the five categories included in the survey: Self Awareness, Self-Management, Social Awareness, Relationship Skills, and Responsible Decision Making. In addition, Dr. Escobedo also shared an article titled “Teaching Your Child to: Identify and Express Emotions”. Dr. Escobedo encouraged parents to practice on the following four steps listed on the article with their children. 1) Explain the feeling by using words your child can easily understand. 2) Teach your child in different ways how to talk about positive and not so positive ways to express feelings. 3) Praise your child the first time he/she tries to talk about his/her feelings instead of reacting. 4) Support your child to talk about feelings and practice her/his new strategies for expressing emotions appropriately every chance you get. The article will be posted on the District’s website under Parent DAC/DELAC. He wished everyone a great Fall Break.

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS – Mr. Oscar Esquivel, Deputy Superintendent, welcomed back Harborside, Kellogg, and Montgomery Elementary Schools, which just re-opened last week from their modernization cycle funded by Proposition E. In addition, he stated next summer Sunnyside Elementary School will be modernized. Mr. Esquivel mentioned that he would be providing parents with information on the upcoming modernization schools and on Proposition VV for the November 6 election ballot. Mr. Esquivel concluded by inviting school site members to be part of the 2018-19 Budget Advisory Committee (BAC). The first BAC meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 17 at 6:00 p.m. in the District’s Board Room.

Dr. Matthew Tessier, Assistant Superintendent of Innovation and Instruction, mentioned Parent/Teacher Conferences are coming up and shared that this year parents will be seeing a new Fall Parent Conference Form. Dr. Tessier explained that parents would be able to provide in writing their input about their children’s strengths and goals on this new form. This process will help principals, teachers and parents to have a collaborative relationship and understand how they can work together in providing the best learning experience for their children. He wished everyone a wonderful Fall Break and to enjoy their time off with their children.

Dr. Jeffrey Thiel, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, introduced and welcomed the new Principal at Arroyo Vista Charter, Juan Ricoy. Mr. Ricoy is coming from Santa Barbara School District.

Keith Malcom, Executive Director of Language and Instruction, thanked everyone who attended the meeting. He also thanked Parent Engagement Liaison, Angelica Maldonado for supporting in the increase of parent participation and assisting in having quorum at these meetings. Mr. Malcom thanked parents for attending the 11:00 o’clock Parent Training Sessions, and encouraged them to continue attending these important sessions. Mr. Malcom mentioned that the English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC) Initial
testing cycle has been completed for this school year. In addition, he announced that the ELPAC assessment score results are in for English Learners (ELs) who took the assessments in the spring (February-March). Student ELPAC Data report will be shared soon and after the fall break, the assessment scores will be released to parents and administrators. Mr. Malcom also mentioned that the next step is to start working on English Learners’ Reclassification process. Mr. Malcom finished by mentioning that he and Executive Director Dr. Jorge Ramirez, (Chula Vista Learning Community Charter), completed assessing the Dual Language Immersion (DLI) Programs in the District. They will be reviewing the DLI Programs and will work on the District’s three-year plan on continuing supporting and increasing the academic level for students in the DLI Programs.

8. CHAIRPERSONS’ REPORTS – DELAC Chairperson; Elena Marquez, invited parents to attend the ELPAC Score Reports for Parents of English Learners training.

9. DISTRICT PARENT NEEDS ASSESSMENT RESULTS – DAC Vice-Chairperson, Marina Beltran, and DELAC Vice-Chairperson, Karla Ruiz, started by acknowledging parents for attending the meeting and expressing the importance of having quorum. Both, DAC/DELAC Vice-Chairpersons presented a PowerPoint slide listing the results of the District Parent Needs Assessment survey that parents took last month. Mrs. Beltran mentioned the DAC/DELAC Board is considering providing these training sessions based on the priority of the most important topic, keeping in mind speakers’ availability. These sessions are held at the ESSC from 11-11:45 a.m. and childcare is provided.

10. DAC/DELAC GOALS AND DISCUSSION – DAC Chairperson, David Bame, and DELAC Chairperson, Elena Marquez, provided an overview PowerPoint presentation titled “Exploring Mission and Goals”. Mr. Bame gave time for parents and administrators to have a collaborative conversation on “What can you do to engage other parents?” and to write their top ideas on post-it notes. Parents’ input will be typed and posted on the District’s website under DAC/DELAC Parent Involvement.

11. DISTRICT COMMUNICATIONS – Executive Director; Student, Family, Community and Instruction; Lisa Parker, invited everyone to attend the District’s Fourth Annual Parent Academy on Saturday, October 13, at Vista Square Elementary School from 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Mrs. Parker mentioned that there will be a variety of amazing workshops offered including Math, Reading, and Writing, Gifted and Talented Education (GATE), Relationships/Gratitude workshops and much more. A delicious breakfast will be provided. At the end of the week, fliers will be sent to school sites regarding Parent On-line Registration information.

Parent Engagement Liaison, Angelica Maldonado, mentioned she has been very busy working with different school sites on increasing their parent participation and attending school site’s events. She also shared her experience from the school sites she had visited and one in particular school site, Juarez-Lincoln, where she assisted the principal in organizing his SSC and ELAC elections and completed the school parent needs assessment survey. She thanked Mr. Pollack for giving her the opportunity. In addition, Mrs. Maldonado thanked Dr. Monica Loyce, Principal at Marshall, for giving her the great opportunity in assisting her school site with their election and showing Mrs. Maldonado how to formulate a Google survey. Mrs. Maldonado said she is looking forward to working with more parents and principals throughout the school year.

12. PUBLIC/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – None

13. ADJOURNMENT - The meeting adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

David Bame
DAC Chairperson

Elena Marquez
DELAC Chairperson

Olivia Guerrero
Recording Secretary