



**LAS VIRGENES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT  
PATHWAYS COMMITTEE MEETING  
September 28, 2022**

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Present: Ms. Angela Cutbill, Board Member  
Ms. Lesli Stein, Board Member  
Dr. Clara Finneran, Assistant Superintendent, Education  
Dr. Ryan Gleason, Assistant Superintendent/CBO  
Ms. Kim Patterson, Director of Secondary Education  
Ms. Jana Davenport, Director of Elementary Education  
Ms. Alexandra Lloyd, Permits  
Ms. Darci Miller, LVEA Representative

The meeting came to order at 1:00pm.

**Enrollment/Master Scheduling**

The Pathways Committee discussed current enrollment for 2022-23. The enrollment data reflects a declining trend, which is in line with statewide trends. Ms. Cutbill and Ms. Stein suggested bringing back robust showcases to our high schools that will highlight the wonderful programs offered in LVUSD. Staff discussed focusing marketing/advertising efforts and the utilization of social media to help build awareness and share the great events/programs at our schools. School of Choice and Interdistrict Transfers were also discussed. Ms. Stein and Ms. Cutbill shared the history of the existing caps on our interdistrict enrollment.

**District Data Team Progress and Next Steps**

Dr. Finneran shared that the District's Data team met once and will be meeting five more times over the year. This team is composed of a mix of cabinet members, District staff, and principals. Eventually, this may be expanded to incorporate more staff. Some of the efforts they are discussing are:

- Expanding and enhancing data informed decision making across all staff, with the goal of improving our practices for students.
- Ms. Stein asked if teachers were using the platforms the District has previously implemented such as Rally and RenStar.
- Ms. Miller shared that Renstar data doesn't always cover the subject matter or provide teachers with the type of information they need to know so it may not be best meeting teachers' needs, at this time.

- Dr. Finneran explained that our contract with RenStar is coming up for renewal and the Data team will be discussing what pieces we might want to maintain? The District may shift away from Renstar and towards state issued interim assessments at the secondary school level. The need for professional development was also discussed.
- Ms. Patterson shared that teachers are looking informally at data all the time and RenStar data may not necessarily coordinate with that information. There is some interest in having staff provide professional development in math to utilize the state issued interim assessments. These are also reflective of what students will be tested on with CAASPP. Interim assessments are free, however, the District would need to invest time in training teachers on how to utilize them.
- Given the new state Math Framework pending approval, the District is discussing conducting a math pilot for new curriculum where student performance data is more strongly embedded in the instructional materials.

Ms. Stein mentioned that the Board of Education will be looking to hold a study session in the future on student achievement. Ms. Cutbill added that staff collaboration is a significant consideration and will have an impact on the classroom instruction as well. Ms. Stein asked the Committee to provide input in the future on when the best time would be to conduct a study session.

#### Adoptions and Pilots 2022-23

- **UTK (Universal Transitional Kindergarten):** The District is piloting *Three Cheers* materials now. *Creative Curriculum* which is being utilized currently at Buttercup, will be explored by the Committee later this fall. Staff will be reporting to Pathways and Curriculum Council Committees with their findings and recommendations.
- **World Languages:** There is a world language pilot in progress. There will be more presented about this pilot progress at future Pathways and Curriculum Council meetings.
- **ELD:** Our English Language Development teachers piloted an advanced version of Lexia last year and loved it. The District will be purchasing this for ELD in grades K-5.
- **Math:** Dr. Roberts and Amy Rosen will be working with Ms. Patterson to develop a timeline for a grades 6-12 math pilot. The new state framework should be out this spring. Colleagues are interested in exploring an open sourced curriculum. This will likely initiate some changes to our math curriculum, going forward.

#### Elementary Programs Update

- **UTK:** This was discussed in the Finance Committee. It will be cost prohibitive to roll it out faster than is being currently required by the state.
- **Outdoor Education:** Outdoor Education will be returning to a 5-day, 4-night experience at Camp Gilmore. Ms. Davenport met with Wolf who will be providing the day programs and was very impressed. Contracts are being generated and this should be coming to a future Board of Education meeting.

- **ELOP:** Current requirements of the program are that Districts must serve K-5 (or K-6) students for 170 days of the school year with an extended school day and that they have 30 days of additional instruction. The costs of doing this will be cost prohibitive for LVUSD. The District is not inclined to move forward and are looking into alternative solutions to address this requirement. Unfortunately, this may impact the Find My Genius program. Staff will continue to keep the committee informed going forward.

**Other Business**

Ms. Stein and Ms. Cutbill asked that the Committee provide an update on Mariposa and the District's Dual Immersion program at a future meeting date.

The meeting adjourned at 3:06 pm.