



State Center Adult Education Consortium  
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**State Center Adult Education Consortium (SCAEC)**  
**Friday, June 10, 2022 at 2:00 pm**  
**Fresno Adult School, 2500 Stanislaus, Fresno, CA 93721**  
**Room 110**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:**

Jose Bedolla – Selma Unified School District; Daniel Ching – Chawanakee Unified School District; Shelly Conner – Madera Community College; Donna Cooper – Fresno City College; Rhonda Corippo – Chawanakee Unified School District; Ruben Diaz – Parlier Unified School District; Leslie Goston – Golden Valley Unified School District; Marcy Guthrie – Chawanakee Unified School District; Debra Haney – Caruthers Unified School District; Lori Hawkyard – Sanger Unified School District; Rich Ishimaru – Kings Canyon Unified School District; Fabrizio Lofaro – Valley ROP; Kurt Piland – Reedley College; Ed Robinson – Central Unified School District; Gary Schlueter – Fresno Unified School District; Ed Schmalzel – Clovis Unified School District; Jody Silva – Sierra Unified School District; Grant Thor – Washington Unified School District

**Members Absent:** Marisa Gamboa/Janet Sloan – FCSS; Shirley Gregory/Ladislao Lopez – Madera Unified School District; Gurdeep Hebert/Emilee Slater – Clovis Community College; Stephanie Osowski/Marcia Miller – Yosemite Unified School District; Jonathan Torres/Manjeet Dail – Dinuba Unified School District

**Guests Present:** Tony Martinez – Dinuba Unified School District; Kendra Devejian – Unite Us

**SCAEC Staff Present:** Allyson Adams, Pang Vangyi, Sherri Watkins

**1.0 Call to Order**

Ed Schmalzel called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m. All attendees introduced themselves.

**2.0 Agenda and Minutes**

A motion was made by Gary Schlueter to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Daniel Ching and approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Lori Hawkyard to approve the April 22, 2022 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Donna Cooper and approved unanimously.

**3.0 Meeting Norms**

**4.0 Hearing of the Public/Unscheduled Oral Communications**

**5.0 Consent Agenda**

5.1 Valley ROP CTE Proposal

5.2 Sierra Adult School CTE Proposal

A motion was made by Marcy Guthrie to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Donna Cooper and approved unanimously.

**6.0 Information Items**

- 6.1 Unite Us Presentation  
Kendra Devijian presented on Unite Us, an online platform which connects people to community services and tracks the outcomes of those services. The platform is solely to coordinate care, not to track student data.
- 6.2 A list of 2022-23 CAEP due dates was presented. The CAEP office is monitoring expense reporting and sending reminders to those still needing to enter information in the NOVA system.
- 6.3 A list of 2022-23 board meeting dates was presented with a reminder to board members that if more than one meeting is missed, a letter will be sent to superintendents or college presidents. The first meeting of 2022-23 will be in September rather than August as the CAEP office is still updating the annual plan template.
- 6.4 Member annual plan meetings are taking place.
- 6.5 CalPRO is offering a facilitated online course titled Motivation and Persistence for Adult Learners, July 11 – August 7, 2022.
- 6.6 Donna Cooper reported on the curriculum alignment workshop scheduled to take place on June 14th and 15th. The workshop will discuss pathways from adult schools to colleges.
- 6.7 The SCAEC Leadership Committee developed a new CTE proposal process which will be distributed to all members.
- 6.8 The consortium is currently in the process of reviewing their websites for ADA compliance. Any flyers from consortium members will need to be compliant before being posted to the websites.
- 6.9 Ed Schmalzel gave a legislative update:
  - AB1491 (McCarty carryover bill) was approved in the Assembly, but is being amended in the Senate. The proposed carryover rate for consortia is 20%. Each consortium will decide for themselves what the carryover for their members will be.
  - AB2573 will allow adult education teachers to attain permanent status after their probationary period.
  - The May budget revise provides \$130M over three years for entry level adult education healthcare training.
  - COLA is increasing from 5.33% to 6.56%.
  - Fee waivers have been approved for designated subject adult education credentials.
- 6.10 There were no new nominations for Board Co-chair positions.

## **7.0 Reports**

### **7.1 SCAEC Office Report**

- SCAEC office staff will now be employed by Washington Unified School District. WUSD will be the hiring agent for any new positions.
- Sherri Watkins congratulated Rich Ishimaru on his retirement. In addition, Jody Silva, Daniel Ching and Kurt Piland are moving on to other positions. Sherri welcomed new representatives Rhonda Corippo (Chawnahee USD) and Anthony Abrams (Sierra USD). She also recognized Rodney Branch as the new Fresno Adult School principal.
- Sherri reminded members that updated member representative forms are required for new board members.
- Pang Vangyi recognized the newest WASC accredited schools and mentioned that they will have to apply for a six-digit identifier code through this site:

<https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/k12-educators/tools-resources/k12-school-code-search>. This code will be needed in order for students to apply for the CalGrant.

- Pang reported in 2021-22, the consortium provided services to 10,406 students overall, and served 6,787 12+ students.

## 7.2 Member Reports

- Caruthers Adult School is offering ESL classes in Raisin City.
- Central Adult School has four staff members attend the CASAS conference. CLASS is partnering with the Sikh Institute to offer citizenship classes. They are currently revising their master schedule based on a recent student survey and developing strategies to target students with less than 12 hours. A recent resource fair contributed to an increase in the awareness of the school.
- Chawanakee Adult School is now WASC accredited. They are focusing on reaching more tribal students.
- Clovis Adult Education begins their summer session in two weeks. They had 185 graduates. Each graduate was given an additional “stole of gratitude” to give to someone who contributed to their success to wear at the ceremony.
- Dinuba Adult School is not offering summer school. They will begin classes in August.
- Fresno Adult School will offer summer classes in ESL, ASE, Computer Literacy, Custodial, and Food Safety certifications through June 30th. The school is closed for two weeks in July. Fall registration will begin July 18th.
- Fresno City College hired a new adult education faculty coordinator, Lisa Vincent. They will be holding a College Signing Day at the Fresno Mission. FCC is meeting with The Fresno Center to hold ESL classes there, and will offer ESL and Business classes at Big Picture Academy. An Intro to College non-credit class has begun.
- Golden Valley is not offering summer school.
- Kings Canyon graduated 62 adult students.
- Madera Community College continues to work toward a return to in-person classes.
- Parlier Adult School opened this year and received WASC accreditation.
- Reedley College has created additional non-credit classes.
- Sanger Adult School HSD and ESL classes are on break for summer. School will begin again in August. They are currently working on their WASC report.
- Selma Adult School is moving to a new facility over the summer which will allow all programs to be at the new facility. They received their WASC accreditation and are working with Reedley College to offer non-credit classes.
- Sierra Adult School is closed over the summer. Currently enrolled diploma students will continue to be supported. They held a graduation for their adult ed students.
- Valley ROP and the South Region are offering three CNA classes, two EMT classes and one EMD class in the summer, and are starting fall enrollment.

## 8.0 Action Items

### 8.1 Vote on SCAEC 2022-2025 Three-Year Plan

A motion was made by Daniel Ching to approve the SCAEC Bylaws revisions as presented. The motion was seconded by Rich Ishimaru and approved unanimously.

### 8.2 Vote on SCAEC Board Co-Chairs

A motion was made by Gary Schlueter to approve Donna Cooper and Ed Schmalzel to serve as board co-chairs for 2022-2023. The motion was seconded by Marcy Guthrie and

approved unanimously.

Sherri clarified that members will receive emails asking them to approve the plan in NOVA.

**9.0 Closed Session** – the board moved into closed session at 3:44 pm

9.1 Government Code 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Executive Director

**10.0 Reconvene in Open Session** – the board reconvened in open session at 3:50 pm. Ed Schmalzel reported the board voted unanimously to retain Sherri Watkins as SCAEC Executive Director.

**11.0 Public comment regarding Closed Session items**

**12.0 Next Meeting:** September 9, 2022

2:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Sanger Adult School

1020 N Street, Sanger, CA 93657

**13.0 Adjournment**

Rich Ishimaru made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Donna Cooper and approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 3:52 p.m.