# EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## MINUTES OF MEETING

AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENT ADVOCATES (AASA)
SEPTEMBER 15, 2016
6:00 p.m.
EAST SIDE UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD ROOM
830 N. CAPITOL AVENUE, SAN JOSE

#### Present:

#### 1. Welcome & Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. AASA Co-Chairpersons Mulugeta Habtegabriel extended a welcome to all in attendance at the meeting.

# 2. Naviance Software Demonstration – Kirsten King, Director of Assessment and Accountability

Kirsten King provided a demonstration on the Naviance software. The following questions and/or concerns were discussed:

- Policy: Approval for the plan (4-year)—Do parents have power to change before plan is official?
- How are we going to let parents know/be informed about the plan?
- Four-year plan is locked and has to be unlocked by Counselor. Plans may not be locked until second semester.
- AASA wants parents to have input/view before locking the plan. Parents are asking to be timely informed.
- Infinite Campus Gradebook is open to teachers, but not sure if Parent Portal is open to teachers.
  - Issue of who has access with onboarding
  - Plan unique to ESUHSD as it pertains to ESUHSD courses
- Question: Plan to add plan to get into private universities? // Answer: Yes.
- Portability:
  - If changing schools? Follows the student.
  - If changing Districts? No
- Mulugeta would like to see a policy regarding the role of a parent with Naviance signoff or be informed.

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3. Discussion and/or Action to Finalize Third ESUHSD Sponsored Event Request for 2016/2017 – Mulugeta Habtegabriel & Sharon Jackson, AASA Co-Chairpersons

The following outlines the discussion regarding the third ESUHSD sponsored event request for 2016/2017.

- Lula/AA College Awareness
- Debra Watkins/Debra Robinson: Do not have time for local convening of BSUs, but BSCU (Black Students of California United) is an alternative. Wait until October to discuss.
- Format of conference change from old
  - Experiential not sit and get
  - Visit Capitol
  - Visit delegates
  - Kept Saturday Culture Night; will now be Sunday
  - o Transportation to hotel and around town. Bus drivers need to stay.
  - o Arrive on Sunday night at church. Continental Breakfast on Monday.
  - Less Expensive—Sunday to Monday
  - Black Minds Matter Independence / Santa Teresa / Mt. Pleasant participated
  - One night hotel: Sunday-Monday
  - District needs to sign up; \$50 per school to join
  - Focus on leadership
  - Costco bag lunches with continental breakfast
  - PCIS used to onboard parents?
- Students decide to do social justice projects when they return
  - o IH: Stop black girls fighting
  - o ST: Better BSU
  - MP: Black Minds Matter Summit

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- Structured for leadership
  - o Recruitment of students?
    - Identify students consistently attending, invested to conference
    - Eight lunch times
    - Academic standing is an issue
    - Cal State Fresno in June -- competition on Social Justice
- Project Word -- no open mic
  - o MP/ST/IH
  - o 100% Academic
- CAAAE funding open mic on seven campuses open mic with Keith Holmes
  - o Met with all Principals. Some pulled out.
  - o Open mic schools: SC, PH, AH, EV, YB, JL
- Imani Village/Ujima
  - o PH/ST/OG
- Group asked, "What exactly did open mic include?" Debra Watkins mentioned the following and will bring back actual activities from prior year to October meeting:
  - Various activities
  - Listening to students about issues
  - Connecting to resources
  - o 40 minutes a month
  - Silver Creek: prepared a resource guide for students
  - Open mic/PCIS/Counselors working closely together this year
- Desired outcomes for open mic:
  - Social exchange
  - o Caring adult 40 minutes a month
  - o 10-15 minutes listening to concerns of students

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- BSU Responsible for chaperone: (Faithful few can watch students)
- Students feel isolated. Reported in breakout sessions
- Debra will forward flyer to Mulugeta for BSU Conference

## 4. Next Meeting

The next AASA meeting will be held on October 6, 2016, at 6 PM in the ESUHSD Board Room, 830 N. Capitol Avenue, San Jose.

## 5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.