

San Diego Unified School District
GATE DAC Meeting
February 13, 2017
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The meeting was convened at 6:35 p.m. at the Ballard Parent Center Auditorium.

Introductions: Mary Ann Hawke introduced herself as Chair, Heidi Atchison as 1st Vice Chair, and Lily Higman as 2nd Vice Chair of the GATE DAC. She also let parents know that a translator was available as well as childcare for those who were interested. Mary Ann also introduced the GATE Program Manager, Melissa Roy-Wood, and GATE Resource Teacher, April Stebbins-Dorman.

GATE Report: Melissa Roy -Wood, GATE Program Manager, gave a program update. Items included: School site visits, meetings with Principals, work toward the development of GATE Seminar Pathways in underserved communities, experiences at Cluster Meetings and participating in school site walk-throughs focused on Vision 2020's 12 Indicators of a Quality School.

Best Practices: GATE Cluster and Seminar: Guest Speaker Denise Goulart, Principal Pacific Beach Elementary School

Ms. Goulart shared the process implemented at Pacific Beach Elementary School to renovate their school culture and mission to best meet the needs of students. Additionally, she shared the best practices employed to access student entry points, redeploy students in a variety of flexible groupings, and integrate instructional practices that include Socratic Seminar: CAGEN; Thinking Maps; and the use of the Icons for Depth and Complexity. Through the school's PLCs teachers collaborate and make data driven decisions throughout the learning cycles.

LCAP/Budget Update: Mary Ann Hawke gave an overview of the LCAP and LCAFF. She presented information shared at the SDUSD LCAP meeting on January 28, 2017. Participants were then asked to review and discuss the LCAP document at tables by Area.

Closing Information: Mary Ann Hawke informed those present of the upcoming California Association for the Gifted Conference, March 3-5, 2017.

The next meeting – March 13, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.