

Steering Committee Minutes Approved

Monday, July 21, 2025

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm

Mt. SAC SCE Bldg. 40 – Room 140

Meeting Folder: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1gcP4MZQaoAk0Emt3cpo_MUhROhHN5Gw8?usp=sharing

Baldwin Park X Veronica Valenzuela X Andrew Stager	Covina ValleyRyan Maddox _X_Sita Rampershad	Pomona X Miguel Hurtado Luis Rodriguez Monique Cardenas	Consortium X Tischel Diaz X Ana Ramos Partners/guests present:
Bassett X Adder Argueta Angel Villalon	Hacienda-La Puente X Gregory Buckner X Micah Goins	Rowland X Ivette Alvarado Valeriano X Stephani Garcia	X_Mitchell Brunyer (RACE)
Charter Oak X Ivan Ayro Alayna Effinger	Mt. SAC X Tami Pearson X Madelyn Arballo		
1:05pmWelcome & Agenda Check NO Public Comment	Approval of the Minut Motion to approve by Motion Approved Una	Tami Pearson, Seconded by Mig	uel Hurtado
Objectives for the day:	INTRODUCTION		
1. Consortium Updates	Upcoming CAEP Due Dates July 2025 Jul 15: Student Data due in TOPSPro (Q4) FINAL Jul 21: Vote Approval for 2025-26 Annual Plan August 2025 Aug 15: Annual Plan for 2025-26 due in NOVA * Aug 15: Soft Deadline 23/24- and 24/25-Member Expense Report due in NOVA (Q4) Aug 15: ELL Grant Outcomes Templates (R1 & R2) due Aug 15: Reimbursement documents for ELL Grant, R2 due Aug 18: Vote to approve Allocation Amendment September 2025 Sep 1: 23/24 and 24/25-Member Expense Report due in NOVA (Q4) Sep 1: 25/26 Certification of Allocation Amendment due in NOVA Sep 15: Soft Deadline 25/26 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan due in NOVA Sep 30: 23/24- and 24/25-Member Expense Report certified by Consortia in NOVA (Q4) * Sep 30: 25/26 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan due in NOVA Sep 30: 25/26 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan due in NOVA Sep 30: End of Q1		

2. Review of Allocation Amendment

Tischel shared the updated allocations based on the May revision, which included a 2.3% COLA, down from the previously published COLA of 2.43%. COLAs must follow the same % formula used for regular allocation, so there are no current adjustments to be made. These are the final numbers, and she shared and reviewed them so we can vote to approve the amendment at the **August meeting**.

Allocation Amendment			
	2024-25	2025-26	Increase
BPACE	\$7,291,514	\$7,459,217	\$167,703
BAS	\$3,094,521	\$3,165,695	\$71,174
C.O.	\$2,047,047	\$2,094,129	\$47,082
C.V.	\$4,242,059	\$4,339,626	\$97,567
HLPAE	\$20,965,877	\$21,448,087	\$482,210
Mt. SAC SCE	\$1,066,984	\$1,091,523	\$24,539
PACE	\$2,487,231	\$2,544,437	\$57,206
RACE	\$2,120,553	\$2,169,326	\$48,773
	\$43,315,786	\$44,312,040	\$999,254

3. Member Expense Report

- Corrective Action Plan required if member carryover is above 40%
 - o Due in NOVA August 15th

Tischel reminded members about the member expense reports and their August 15th deadline into NOVA.

She requested that you please send all your documentation to Ana and herself by that same deadline. A reminder that if an agency has an individual carryover of 40% or more of their 24-25 allocation, they will need to put in a **corrective action plan** narrative into NOVA in order to submit and that this will be year one regarding member carryover per our CFAD.

4. Annual Plan

Tischel reviewed the Annual Plan and opened for discussion as to whether they wanted all of the strategies/goals listed for this year from the # Year Plan (3YP), or if they wanted to choose only a select number.

She opened it for discussion if members. Members noticed a lot of repetition in the goals and came to a consensus on which goals were most aligned with the consortium's vision and were within their scope.

The annual plan is derived directly from the 3-year plan, which was already voted and approved at the June 2025 meeting. In the three-year plan, we denoted the activities we would be doing at individual agencies within the overall consortium each year.

Tischel thanked them for their comments on the posted draft.

Vote to approve the Annual Plan for the Year 2025-2026.

Motion to bring the Annual Plan to a vote as read, moved by Greg Buckner and seconded by Tami Pearson.

Unanimously approved for submission today, 7/21/25.

Vote to approve the 2025-26 Annual Plan is as follow:		
Agency	Member	VOTE
BASSET	Adder Argueta	YES
BPACE	Veronica Valenzuela	YES
Charter Oak	Ivan Ayro	YES
Covina Valley	Sita Rampershad	YES
HLPAE	Greg Buckner	YES
Mt. SAC SCE	Tami Pearson	YES
PACE	Miguel Hurtado	YES
RACE	Ivette Alvarado-Valeriano	YES

5. Consortium Counselors Fall 2025

Start Dates for each school. Schedule changes?

Last year, transition counselors returned to in-person appointments on their campuses in September to allow campuses time to adjust to the fall. A couple of months ago, some members suggested that they may want them to return the first week of classes instead.

Tischel asked who wants them to come back earlier than September.

And if so, what date would that be?

All schools except for Charter Oak requested September start dates. Charter Oak runs on a quarter system and is in the middle of Summer, so it could use the counselor presence starting in August.

As far as the schedule, all schools except for RACE and BPACE will continue with the schedule below. BPACE and RACE have requested one evening, if possible.



6. CSS and CTE Workgroup Meetings	 CSS volunteer for September meeting (Need Location) PACE has volunteered to host September. CTE volunteer for September meeting (Need Location) Mt. SAC volunteered to host September Tischel will go ahead and send out the calendar invites ABE/ASE 1st Wednesdays, 2:30-4 PM (BPACE) CSS 3rd Tuesdays, 1-2:30 PM (ROTATE) ESL 2rd Fridays, 2:30-4 PM (Tri-Community) CTE 2rd Tuesdays, 2:30-4 PM (ROTATE)
7. WIOA / Funding Discussion	 Federal budget – discussion: shared thoughts, concerns Shared potential strategies, challenges, and impact on students
8. Co-Chairs Term Discussion	 Interim: As part of the Government Plan, we have two co-chairs, one representing the college, one representing our adult schools. And the terms are set to align with the Three-Year Plan terms, which ended June 30th. By looking at the governance plan, there is no real process about how we appoint future Consortium Co-chairs. As of right now, the chairs are Veronica Valenzuela (adult school) and Madelyn Arballo (college chair). Need to determine how to proceed in the future and place that process in the bylaws that are being drafted. This would require an interim co-chair until the Bylaws take place, hopefully in October, after a reading and a vote. Consensus reached to keep Veronica Valenzuela and Madelyn Arballo as Interim Co-chairs until the bylaws have been passed. What would that process look like? Would we call for individuals who nominate themselves (voluntell), they should be nominated by other individuals
9. Governance Plan Updates	 Previous Version (approved April 2023) https://drive.google.com/file/d/1Yk24btlaJTf5u4gXGAQsNRpFppi5s6 kA/view?usp=sharing Converted to Bylaws Draft https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZwDx7yOBLwAjreP8UmMgX GRvcJ7F4YIMWSP3kyZan1c/edit?usp=sharing Consensus was reached to direct the bylaws to expand and define Opened for discussion Co-Chair Selection Process Aligned with 3YP Need 1 College Representative / 1 Adult School Representative. Repetition clause? (yes). Would just need to put themselves forward again.

	 Process for volunteer (in progress) Rewording of the alternate representative statement (to not limit to only one alternate) Confirmation of Brown Act Compliance Motion to Vote and Vote within the same meeting in emergency situations (still in discussion)
10. ELL Grant Update	 Request for Budget Changes R1 and R2 Sent out July 14 Due back July 23 Reimbursement for R2, Q4 due August 15, 2025 Budget and Outcomes Template for R1 and R2 Will be sent out July 31, 2025 Due August 15, 2025 Final Report for R1 TBD Round 3: What do we want to use as criteria for allocating the funds for R3? Any new pathways anticipated? Be prepared for the discussion The outcomes will include students' success stories If there are no revisions, just send an email stating there are No Revisions for round # at this time Tischel asked who began spending R2 as of Q4? Potentially all schools.
11. Member Updates	 Around the Room Summer Term Expanding programs Attending SC meeting on Dec. 15th? Discussion for next meeting SC Retreat? February. Discussion for next meeting/Revisiting Calendar

12. Upcoming Events

Please share any upcoming events you have:

https://www.caadultedtraining.org/

1) California Statewide WIOA II Network Meeting

July 29, 2025, 1:00PM – 2:30 PM https://www.caadultedtraining.org/CASAS/8987?Type=12

2) GED Conference

August 4-6, 2025, Chicago, IL https://ged.cventevents.com/event/gedconference2025/overview

3) 3rd Biennial Prison To University 2025 Conference

August 7, 2025, 8am to 3:30pm https://PTU2025.eventbrite.com

4) GED Convenings

Orange (Aug 19), Los Angeles (Aug 20), Jurupa (Aug 21), 8:30AM - 12:30PM https://uk.eventsforce.net/scoe/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=3133&eventID=8

- 5) Los Angeles Regional Adult Education Allied Health Collaborative
 September 13th, 2025, 9:00AM-1:00PM, Los Angeles, CA
 https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAlpQLSeKiyaQmbDnBTjpVDJHyLfs15
 8QFXP7BjHle9c-LxYi2r5JFQ/viewform
- 6) CAEP Summit 2025-Building Bridges to Success: Innovate, Integrate, Impact.

September 24-26, 2025, Anaheim, CA https://californiacommunitycolleges.cventevents.com/event/69dbe8ef-b4d0-47f1-bb3e-198767a8235d/home

13. Future Meetings

Steering Committee Meetings 2025-26

2023 20		
3rd Monday of the Month 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM		
Month	Dates	Location
August	8/18/2025	Mt. SAC 40-140
September	9/15/2025	Mt. SAC 40-140
October	10/20/2025	Mt. SAC 40-140
November	11/17/2025	Mt. SAC 40-140
December	12/15/2025	????
January	1/19/26	Holiday
		Holiday
February	2/16/26	(Schedule Retreat in February)
March	3/16/2026	Mt. SAC 40-140
April	4/20/2026	Mt. SAC 40-140
May	5/18/2026	Mt. SAC 40-140
June	6/15/2026	Mt. SAC 40-140

14. Next Steps/Assignments	 July 23: ELL Grant R1 & R2 Budget Adjustments due Aug 15: Complete CAEP Member Expense Report (due in NOVA August 15) Aug 15: ELL Grant Outcomes Templates (R1 & R2) due Aug 15: Reimbursement documents for ELL Grant, R2 due Brown Act Training September 15th
15. Adjourn	Next Meeting: August 18, 2025, 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM