



## Steering Committee Meetings

**Purpose:** SBCAE is a consortium of 4 community colleges and 5 adult schools that works with regional partners to align educational opportunities for adult learners in order to promote upward social and economic mobility in the South Bay region. SBCAE Steering Committee members represent individual districts and as a region plan, develop, recommend, and implement educational programs for adults aligned with AB104 legislation.

### Guiding Principles

- Focus on the needs of adult education students first
- Embrace collaboration and partnership to have a positive collective impact on our region
- Work with transparency and inclusion with all stakeholders
- Seek other community partnerships and connections to leverage resources and achieve better outcomes
- Explore expansion and innovation in adult education services in the region
- Commit to ideas, decisions, and practices that anticipate the future needs for adult learners in our region

### Meeting Norms

- Meetings start on time
- Members come prepared
- Decision making is by consensus
- Presume good intentions
- Focus on issues, not people
- Impact on students most important
- One person speak at a time
- All members are given opportunity to be heard

### Public Comment

Members of the public are encouraged to attend Steering Committee meetings and to address the Committee concerning any item on the agenda or within the Steering Committee's jurisdiction. Members of the public will be given opportunity to address the Committee in-person during *agenda item 4) Public Comments*, or in writing by emailing [williamst@esuhsd.org](mailto:williamst@esuhsd.org) prior to the start time of the Steering Committee meeting. Public comments received in writing will be shared with Steering Committee members during the Public Comment item on the agenda. In-person public comment is limited to 3 minutes.

### Meeting Information

Meeting calendar, agenda, minutes, and supporting documents are posted on <https://sbcae.org/governance/steering-committee/>

Dates, times, and locations may change. Agendas will be posted 72 hours in advance of Steering Committee meetings.

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### Roster:

| SBCAE District                       | Member                               | Alternate              | SBCAE District              | Member                               | Alternate            |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Campbell Adult & Community Education | Usha Narayanan                       | Leslie Johnson-Tatsuta | East Side Adult Education   | Traci Williams<br><i>AE Co-Chair</i> | Shawn Tran           |
| Milpitas Adult Education             | Priti Johari                         | Giuliana Brahim        | Santa Clara Adult Education | Carrie Casto                         | Christine Berdiansky |
| Silicon Valley Adult Education       | Maliheh Vafai                        | Kiran Grewal           | Mission College             | Julian Branch                        | vacant               |
| San José Evergreen CCD               | Kishan Vujjeni<br><i>CC Co-Chair</i> |                        | West Valley College         | Eric Grabiell                        | vacant               |
| Evergreen Valley College/San Jose CC | Maniphone Dickerson                  | Robbie Kunkel          |                             |                                      |                      |

| Consultation Council<br>(non-voting members)                         |  |  | SBCAE Staff                                       |   |   |
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| Margarita Ortiz-Minett,<br>Campbell Adult and<br>Community Education |  |  | Rick Abare,<br>Director                           | Vacant, Data Analyst                    | Brenda Flores,<br>Data & Accountability<br>Specialist |
| Phil Crawford, San Jose City<br>College                              |  |  | Vacant,<br>Community<br>Partnership<br>Specialist | Shreyas Mandyam,<br>Web/Tech Specialist | Willard Williams, AWD<br>Specialist                   |
|  |  |  | Michelle Gonzales,<br>Administrative<br>Assistant |   |   |



**Steering Committee Meeting Agenda · March 8, 2024 · 12:30 PM - 3:30 PM**

Location - Campbell Adult and Community Education (CACE) 1224 Del Mar Ave, San Jose, CA 95128

**AGENDA – March 8, 2024**

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| 12:30 | <p><b>Open Session</b></p> <p>1) Call to Order</p> <p>Co-chair Kishan Vujjeni called the meeting to order at 12:36</p>  | Co-Chair        | ACTION       |
| 12:35 | <p>2) Approval of March 8, 2024 Steering Committee Meeting Agenda</p> <p>Motion to approve the March 8 Steering Committee Meeting Agenda with the addition of a new item 13) Information Item about the Research Analyst position.</p> <p>M/S/C: Williams/Brahim</p> <p>Addendum to motion to approve with corrected typographical errors in the dates for items 2) and 3)</p> <p>Approved</p>  | All             | ACTION       |
| 12:40 | <p>3) Approval of February 2, 2024 Steering Committee Meeting Minutes</p> <p>To approve the February 2, 2024 Steering Committee Meeting Minutes as presented:</p> <p>M/S/C: Casto/Williams - Grabiell abstains</p>  | All             | ACTION       |
| 12:45 | <p>4) Public Comments</p> <p>None</p>   | All             | INFORMATION  |
| 12:50 | <p>5) Consultation Council Report</p> <p>Margarita Provided the following report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thanked the Committee for their updates to the bylaws</li> <li>• Asked for an update on the status of hiring for the vacant college Transition specialist position</li> <li>• Relayed the concern from the Council about uneven substitute teacher pay rates and the effect this might have on students when they are unable to attend class due to insufficient staffing</li> </ul> | Margarita, Phil | INFORMATION  |
| 12:55 | <p>6) ELL Grant – Update</p> <p>Tabled until next meeting due to Moni’s absence</p>   | Moni            | PRESENTATION |
| 1:05  | <p>7) Preliminary Allocations</p>   | Kishan          | INFORMATION  |



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|      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noted it allows for consortia to reduce member allocation down to 20% if the case arose</li> <li>• Kishan added clarification regarding which programs years this legislation took effect</li> </ul> <p>Traci reminded the body of the language SBCAE had submitted to the NOVA portal in regard to the local process for monitoring carryover</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expanded on the specifics of timing in regard to noting any carryover exceeding 20% for the prior year <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Will be done during the September certification of prior year expenditures</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Reinforced the importance of spending down any overage</li> <li>• Expanded on the process for internal review and noted that any excess carryover falling subject to recovery by the consortium would be placed in the innovation fund</li> </ul> <p>Kishan noted that corresponding language will need to be adopted at a future meeting, whether it be amended to the bylaws or as a stand-alone document</p>  |                  |             |
| 1:25 | <p>9) Approval of SBCAE Bylaws</p> <p>Motion to adopt SBCAE Bylaws as presented</p> <p>M/S/C: Brahim/Vafi</p> <p>Approved</p>   | Traci            | ACTION      |
| 1:35 | <p>10) Innovation Grant Reports</p> <p>a) Milpitas Adult Education</p> <p>Giuliana Presented for MAE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Funded the deployment of a Wednesday evening class solely for this project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Opened a CTE writing class</li> <li>○ Added a digital literacy class</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Discussed the projects alignment to the Immigrant Integration Framework (IIF) by via the addition of a citizenship test prep class</li> <li>• Noted the included efforts to upskill correctional facility students</li> </ul> <p>Giuliana rounded up the report by sharing that with the remaining funding to secure the Wednesday evening courses through the rest of the year, she expects the program to be self-sustaining in future program years</p> <p>b) Silicon Valley Adult Education</p> <p>Mali presented for SVAE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leveraged the funding to offer SVCTE courses to adults in the evenings for no fee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Shared about the process for creating new classes and hiring teachers with this funding</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Examined Fall 2023 Enrollment and expense data <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Emphasized the importance of word-of-mouth for increasing enrollment</li> <li>○ Shared a deeper look at costs</li> <li>○ Discussed fee calculations</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Outlined a list of certifications that were available in each of the offered courses <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Highlighted new courses</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | Giuliana<br>Mali | INFORMATION |

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|      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Noted the challenges in finding qualified instructors</li> </ul> <p>Mali rounded up her presentation with a look at student enrollment and completion data, which courses are being offered over the summer and what the next steps are for their Innovation Fund Project.</p>  |           |             |
| 2:05 | <p>11) Second Half Innovation Fund Payment for Grantees</p> <p>Motion to approve the allocation of the second payment of Innovation funds to MAE and SVAE</p> <p>M/S/C: Grabiell/Williams</p> <p>Approved</p>  | Co-chairs | ACTION      |
| 2:10 | <p>12) Co-chair Nomination</p> <p>Traci thanked members for making nominations. She noted that Moni Dickerson and Julian Branch were nominated, and that they would have the opportunity to give short addresses to the steering committee prior to a vote occurring in the next meeting.</p>  | Traci     | INFORMATION |
| 2:15 | <p>13) AMENDED ITEM 13) Research Position Update</p> <p>Kishan updated the group on a proposal to adjust the allocation of the research analyst position from 100% at SJCC to 25% ESAE and 75% SJCC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secures the funding for the Adult Education SBCAE Data Team Member, which was previously funded by ESAE</li> <li>Maintains significant FTE at College level</li> </ul> <p>Kishan also noted that, following the previous meeting, there had been discussion around what was happening with the position that was not directed toward the Co-chairs which had caused some confusion. Eric clarified that he had reached out to Moni to ask her to wait to begin the rehiring process to be sure to gather input from the previous Research Analyst (Rick), and Traci also noted that she'd reached out as well to ask Moni to wait to begin the rehiring process so a recommendation for a potential adjustment to the position could be discussed by the leadership team.</p> <p>Eric and Carrie requested input from Rick regarding his thoughts on the research position and the proposal. Rick summarized the recommendations he made to the co-chairs, emphasizing the importance of securing the funding for the Adult Education SBCAE Data Team member being paramount to any adjustments, as that position is a critical lever for supporting Data processes and accountability practices for our Adult Schools</p> <p>Carrie asked for material outlining the specifics of the recommendation to be created and shared with the steering committee.</p> | Kishan    | INFORMATION |
| 2:20 | <p>13) PREVIOUS ITEM 13) Director Update</p> <p>Rick presented some updates on various projects to the body:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Discussed the resumption of typical mid-year planning activities such as annual plan check-ins, connecting with project teams and meeting with each member who is part of the ELL pathways grant</li> <li>Noted SBCAE's current place in the planning cycle</li> <li>Noted recent outreach to community partners</li> </ul>  | Rick      |             |

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|      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Mentioned the ongoing fact sheet finalization</li> <li>● Shared consortia wide data from the fact sheet for 2022-23</li> <li>● Updated the group on the recent Faculty Networking Group Meeting and the feedback that was received about how to improve that effort</li> <li>● Encouraged the members to keep SBCAE staff in the loop about changes to program offerings such that Opendoors can be maintained</li> <li>● Encouraged members to consider adopting some SBCAE branding and links into their email footers</li> </ul> <p>The group engaged in a discussion about the Faculty Networking Group, highlighting some positive take-aways and some challenges, as well as the importance of engaging with a broader group of faculty.</p>   |     |             |
| 2:45 | <p>14) Member Updates &amp; Announcements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ CAEP Due Dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Mar 1: 21/22 and 22/23 and 23/24 Member expense report is due in NOVA (Q2)*</b></li> <li>● <b>Mar 31: 21/22 and 22/23 and 23/24 Member Expense Report certified by Consortia in NOVA (Q2) *</b></li> <li>● <b>Mar 31: End of Q3</b></li> <li>● <b>April 30: Q3 Data due in TOPSPro</b></li> </ul> </li> <li>○ Member Updates:</li> </ul> <p>Christine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The Adult Ed Certification project is well under way! <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Thanked Robbie, Moni, and Mali for their collaborations</li> <li>○ Dove into the details of deployment for this program, discussing specifics around modality, faculty, and credit / noncredit options</li> <li>○ Noted in responded to questions from the body <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Clarified that teachers will be engaged in teaching while taking these courses</li> <li>■ Specified the system for evaluation and induction</li> <li>■ Hoping to collaborate on processes for teacher observations with an ad-hoc group</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Giuliana:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● A Coordinator role has been posted at MAE, encouraged the group to forward to their networks</li> </ul> <p>Mali:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● SVAE is looking for a variety of positions; Instructional coach, El Civics and Community Outreach, as well as instructional positions</li> </ul> <p>Eric:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● CAI grant was awarded for Medical Assisting</li> <li>● Noted the continuation of efforts to create new programs</li> <li>● Potential collaboration opportunity with ESAE and SVAE on Teacher Permits</li> </ul> <p>Traci:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Planning for 2024-25</li> <li>● Re-engaging with satellite sites <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Example of opening spots at Hillview for instruction for students on the waitlist</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Kishan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Noted the addition of some Admin functions to the SBCAE Community Outreach position</li> <li>● Beginning the HR processes at CACE</li> <li>● Clarified the impact on the FTE in response to a question from Margarita and Kelle</li> </ul> | All | INFORMATION |

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|      | <p>Usha:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Trying to accommodate as many students as possible</li> <li>● Shared about new infrastructure, including the extremely popular vending machines which have fresh healthy food</li> </ul> <p>Robbie:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Hosted about 160-200 potential students from Overfelt</li> <li>● Working with Christine on the Adult Ed Teacher Certification Project</li> <li>● Hoping to keep finding ways to work with ESAE on programming for Adult Ed Students</li> <li>● Working through the TS hiring process</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Collect school calendars for 24-25:</li> </ul> |     |             |
| 3:00 | <p>15) Agenda Development</p> <p>No items discussed</p>  | All | INFORMATION |
| 3:30 | <p>16) Adjournment</p> <p>Adjourned unanimously at 2:26pm</p>  | All | ACTION      |

## 2023 – 2024 Calendar

**2023**

Aug 4: Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 – 3:30

Aug 15: Annual Plan for 2023-24 due in NOVA\*



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| Aug 31:            | Data Community of Practice 2:30 – 3:30  | Oct 26:            | Data Community of Practice 2:30 – 3:30   |
| Sept 1:            | 21/22 and 22/23 Member Expense Report due in NOVA (Q4)  | Oct 30:            | 23/24 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan certified by Consortia in NOVA *  |
| Sept 1:            | July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 Instructional Hours and Expenses by Program Area due (estimates only) in NOVA * | Oct 31:            | Student data due in TOPSPro (Q1)   |
| Sept 1:            | 22/23 Certification of Allocation Amendment due in NOVA   | Oct 31:            | Employment and Earnings Follow-up Survey   |
| Sept 8:            | Consultation Council Meeting 10:00 – 11:00  | <del>Nov 3:</del>  | <del>Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 – 3:30</del>   |
| Sept 8:            | Steering Committee Meeting 11:00 – 12:30  | Nov 9:             | Community Connections 1:00 - 2:00  |
| Sept 8:            | Data Study Session 1:00 – 3:00  | Nov 14:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30  |
| Sept 14:           | Community Connections 1:00 – 2:00   | Nov 17:            | Faculty Networking Group Meetings 1:00 – 4:00  |
| Sept 19:           | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30   | Nov 28:            | Transition Specialist Meeting (PD) 2:30 – 4:30   |
| Sept 26:           | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)  | Dec 1:             | July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 Instructional Hours and Expenses by Program Area due (actuals) in NOVA and certified by Consortium * |
| Sept 29:           | Professional Development Day 8:30 – 3:00  | Dec 1:             | 20/21, 21/22 & 22/23 Member Expense Report Due in NOVA (Q1)  |
| Sept 30:           | 21/22 and 22/23 Member Expense Report certified by Consortia in NOVA (Q4) *                                   | Dec 8:             | Consultation Council Meeting 10:00 – 11:00   |
| Sept 30:           | 23/24 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan due in NOVA  | Dec 8:             | Steering Committee Meeting 11:00 – 12:30   |
| Sept 30:           | End of Q1   | Dec 8:             | Data Study Session 1:00 - 3:00   |
| Oct 3:             | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)  | Dec 12:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30  |
| Oct 10:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)  | Dec 14:            | Community Connections 1:00 – 2:00  |
| Oct 12:            | Community Connections 1:00 - 2:00   | Dec 31:            | 21/22, 22/23 & 23/24 Member Expense Report certified by Consortia in NOVA (Q1)   |
| Oct 13:            | Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 – 3:30   | Dec 31:            | End of Q2  |
| Oct 17:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30   |                    |  |
| <b><u>2024</u></b> |   |                    |  |
| Jan 9:             | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)  | <del>Jan 12:</del> | <del>Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 – 3:30</del>   |
| <del>Jan 11:</del> | <del>Community Connections 1:00 – 2:00</del>  | Jan 23:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30  |

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| Jan 25:              | Data Community of Practice 2:30 – 3:30  | April 26:         | Steering Committee Meeting 11:00 – 12:30               |
| Jan 31:              | Student Data due in TOPSPro (Q2)  | April 26:         | Data Study Session 1:00 – 3:00                         |
| Jan 31:              | Employment and Earnings Follow-up Survey  | Apr 30:           | Student Data due in TOPSPro (Q3)                       |
| Feb 2:               | Consultation Council Meeting 10:00 – 11:00  | Apr 30:           | Employment and Earnings Follow-up Survey               |
| Feb 2:               | Steering Committee Meeting 11:00 – 12:30  | Apr 30:           | Community Resource Fair (evening) 5:00 - 8:00          |
| Feb 2:               | Data Study Session 1:00 – 3:00  | May 1:            | Community Resource Fair (day) 10:00 - 1:00             |
| Feb 6:               | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)  | May 2:            | CFAD for 2024-25 due in NOVA *                         |
| <del>Feb 8:</del>    | <del>Community Connections 1:00 – 2:00</del>  | May 7:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)         |
| Feb 13:              | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30   | <del>May 9:</del> | <del>Community Connections 1:00 – 2:00</del>           |
| Feb 28:              | Preliminary allocations for 2024-25 and 2025-26 released by this date                 | May 10:           | Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 - 3:30                |
| March 1:             | 21/22 and 22/23 and 23/24 Member expense report is due in NOVA. (Q2)*                 | May 14:           | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30              |
| March 1:             | Faculty Networking Group Meetings 1:00 – 4:00   | Jun 1:            | 22/23 and 23/24 Member Expense Report due in NOVA (Q3) |
| March 5:             | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30 (PD)  | June 14:          | Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 – 3:30                |
| <b>March 8:</b>      | <b>Steering Committee Meeting 12:30 – 3:30</b>  | Jun 30:           | End of Q4  |
| <del>March 14:</del> | <del>Community Connections 1:00 – 2:00</del>  |                   |  |
| March 19:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30   |                   |  |
| March 31:            | 21/22 and 22/23 and 23/24 Member Expense Report certified by Consortia in NOVA (Q2) * |                   |  |
| March 31:            | End of Q3   |                   |  |
| <del>April 11:</del> | <del>Community Connections 1:00 - 2:00</del>  |                   |  |
| April 23:            | Transition Specialist Meeting 2:30 – 4:30   |                   |  |
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