

SAEC BOARD MEETING AGENDA

October 1, 2024, 8:00am – 9:30am College of the Sequoias: Sequoia Room 1

Co-Chairs: Brent Calvin and Yolanda Valdez In person meeting. No Zoom link available.

1. Opening Business

Call to Order

Establish Quorum

Welcome and Introductions

- 2. <u>Approval of Minutes and Notes</u> August 20, 2024 <u>SAEC Board Meeting Minutes 08.20.24.docx</u>
- 3. <u>Public Comment</u>: General public comment on any Consortium related topic may be heard at this time. The Board asks that any public comment on an item listed on today's agenda be addressed at the time the item comes up for discussion by the Board. Pursuant to SAEC Policy the Board may limit individual comments to no more 3 minutes and individual topics to 20 minutes. Please begin your comments by stating your name.

4. Information item

- 4.1. Tulare County Economic Outlook Adam Peck, Executive Director, WIB Tulare County
 - 4.1.1. Board Agenda Item 4.1 Tulare County Economic Outlook.docx
- 4.2. SAEC State of the Consortium Report: 2024.25 John Werner 4.2.1. Board Agenda Item 4.2 SAEC State of the Consortium.docx
- 4.3. SAEC RISDS Report: The Impact of Adult Education Navigators Carmen Beccera, Maribel Delgado, Evette Lopez
 - 4.3.1. <u>Board Agenda Item 4.3 SAEC RISDS Report The Impact of Adult</u> Education Navigators.docx

- 4.4. SAEC Governance Update–John Werner
 - 4.4.1. Board Agenda Item 4.4 SAEC Report on Governance Update.docx
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 Document.pdf
- 4.5. CAEP Technical Update-John Werner
 - 4.5.1. Board Agenda Item 4.5 CAEP Technical Update.docx
- 5. Action Items
 - 5.1. None
- 6. Adjournment
 - 6.1. Next Meeting: November 5, 2024, 8:00AM-9:30AM in person at COS, Sequoias Room 1

SAEC Consortium Board Meeting Minutes

August 20, 2024, 8:00am – 9:45am College of the Sequoias: Sequoia Room 1 Co-Chairs: Brent Calvin and Yolanda Valdez

In Attendance:

Jennie Bautista, Workforce Investment Board of Tulare County; Carmen Becerra, Sequoias Adult Education Consortium; Brent Calvin, College of the Sequoias; Randy Clem, Tulare Adult School: George Eddy, Exeter Unified School District; LaDonna Jones, Sequoias Adult Education Consortium; Amalia Lopez, Lindsay Adult School; Margarita Lozano, Read to Succeed Library, Manuel Mendez, Farmersville Unified School District;; Tami Olson, Visalia Adult School; Victor Rosa, Hanford Joint Union High School District; T.J. Ryan, Woodlake Unified School District; Kirk Shrum, Visalia Unified School District; Yolanda Valdez, Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District; Lucy Van Scyoc, Tulare Joint Unified High School District; Arturo Villarreal, Farmersville Adult School; Christine Wegner, Exeter Unified School District; John Werner, Sequoias Adult Education Consortium

	Discussion Topic	Outcome	Action
1	Opening Business		
1.1	Call to Order	Called to order by Brent Calvin at 8:02am	
1.2	Establish Quorum	Quorum Established	
1.3	Welcome and Introductions	 Introduction of new people: LaDonna Jones, Assistant to SAEC Executive Director Randy Clem, Director Tulare Adult School Manuel Mendez, Interim Superintendent Farmersville Unified School District 	
2			 Motioned to approve minutes by George Eddy, Exeter Unified School District Seconded by Victor Rosa, Hanford Joint Union High School District Vote: All approved None opposed Motion Carried

3	Public Comment	• None	
4	Information Items		
4.1	SAEC Board Member Attendance and SAEC Attendance Policy Review - John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	 Review of Attendance Expectations of Board Members: Section 14 of the SAEC Report on Consortium Governance. A Member may miss not more than 5 meetings in a fiscal year. At the meeting of 4th absence, written notice shall be read into the minutes as an informational item and delivered via USPS to Member's Governing Board. At the meeting of 5th absence, the SAEC Board shall take action to dismiss the Member Agency from the Consortium for Member ineffectiveness and failure to attend. Chronic or Consecutive Absenteeism If a Member is absent for 4 or more consecutive SAEC Board meetings, the Member Agency will forfeit their participation and membership in the Consortium by default. Dismissal from or admission to the Consortium shall be accomplished by a simple majority vote. If the Member initiates leaving the Consortium, SAEC will require the Member's Governing Board approval. If the Consortium initiates dismissal, the Consortium will inform the Member's Superintendent and Governing Board and follow due process. SAEC Members may be dismissed from SAEC for failure to demonstrate member effectiveness. If the Consortium dismisses a Member, the Consortium Executive Director shall notify the AEBG Project Monitor immediately. A record of the intervention steps and dismissal actions shall be kept in the official minutes on Consortium Board Meetings. Dismissal from the Consortium is final and shall remain in effect for the remainder of the applicable or current 3 year planning period. Attendance records will be displayed at each SAEC Board meeting. Proxies are not allowable. 	

4.2	Sunrise SAEC State of the Consortium and Member Effectiveness Reports – John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	 Each year, in the Fall, the SAEC Executive Director provides the SAEC Board with a report on Consortium effectiveness. The "State of the Consortium Report" is followed by individual member effectiveness reports through the winter months. State of the Consortium Report in October 2023/24 SAEC Outcome Data 2023/24 Expenditure Report 2023/24 Program Hours and Leveraged Funds Reports submitted. Member Effectiveness Report November though March, two members at a time School Profile, Success, Challenges, Changes Tied to SAEC Three Year Plan Goals and member level performance data Adam Peck, from the Workforce Investment Bureau, will be coming to an upcoming meeting to present this year's regional economic outlook. 	
4.3	CAEP Technical Update - John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	 AEP Due Dates August 2024 Aug 15: Annual Plan for 2024-2025 due in NOVA September 2024 Sep 1: 22/23 and 23/24 Member Expense Report due in NOVA (Q4) Sep 1: 24/25 Certification of Allocation Amendment due in NOVA Sep 30: 22/23 and 23/24 Member Expense Report certified by Consortium in NOVA (Q4) Sep 30: End of Q1 October 2024 Oct 30: 24/25 Member Program Year Budget and Work Plan certified by Consortia in NOVA Oct 31: Student data due in TOPSPro (Q1) Oct 31: Employment and Earnings Follow-up Survey 	
5	Action Items		
5.1	SAEC Annual Plan 2024/25 – John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	Executive Summary: Each program year SAEC must submit an annual plan in accordance with CA Education Code 84830. The SAEC Annual Plan 24/5 (Program Year 10) will be submitted to the	 Motioned to approve by Manuel Mendez, Farmersville Unified School District Seconded by Lucy Van Scyoc,

5.2	SAEC Amended Fiscal Allocation 2024/25 - John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	CAEP Office via NOVA on or before August 15, 2024. The SAEC Annual Plan 2024/25 describes consortium participants (members and partners) and funding allocations. It describes the strategies SAEC and its members will take in 2024/25 to enhance delivery of adult education services in the region and address regional needs in adult education. It is aligned to the SAEC Three Year Plan and applicable state law. All member districts are bound to implementation of the plan and Program Assurances. > Once the SAEC Board approves the plan, the SAEC Executive Director inputs and submits the plan in NOVA and Member representatives approve it in NOVA. > SAEC Members then complete and submit individual Member Budgets and Work Plans for 2024/25 in NOVA. Process: > Step 1: Sunrise at SAEC Board 4/2/24 > Step 2: SAC Board action on 8/20/24 > Step 3: Member representatives approve in NOVA. John Werner will send link directly from NOVA > Step 4: Members complet all 23/24 reporting and the create in individual 24/25 member budgets and work plans in NOVA Original plan was well thought out and we have hit the Strategies we said we would. Staffing continues to be our largest ongoing issue. The SAEC CFAD aligns the distribution of funds to the SAEC Regional Comprehensive Plan and Annual Plan. > Previous SAEC Board action on 5/7/24 > Rebenched on 2021/22 > Final 2024/25 COLA: 1:07% > Members have already approved in NOVA	 Tulare Joint Unified School District Vote: All approved None opposed Motion Carried Motioned to approve by Victor Rosa, Hanford Joint Union High School Seconded by TJ Ryan, Woodlake Unified School District Vote: All approved None opposed Motion Carried
5.3	SAEC Memorandum of Understanding 2024/27 – John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	 There are substantive changes to 2024.2027 SAEC Memorandum of Understanding. Beneficiary guarantee amounts (enacted COLA) SAEC Office guarantee amount (enacted COLA) Board members will take back to their local boards for approval and signatures 	 Motioned to approve by George Eddy, Exeter Unified School District Seconded by by Kirk Shrum, Visalia Unified School District Vote: All approved

		 Process: Step 1: MOU sunrise at SAEC Board meeting on 4/02/24 Step 2: SAEC Board action on 5/7/24 (Amended 8/20/24) Step 3: Member districts take the MOU and the SAEC Report on Consortium Governance to their local boards for action on both documents. Step 4: MOU is signed by both the LEA board president and the superintendent. Step 5: Return both signed documents, the LEA board agenda, and the LEA board minutes to Ljones01@vusd.org. 	None opposed Motion Carried
5.4	SAEC Report on Consortium Governance 2024/25- John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	 Changes from 2023/24: Date change Minor edits to flow Process: Step 1: Sunrise at SAEC Board 4/2/24 Step 2: SAEC Board action on 8/20/24 Step 3: Local LEA boards take individual action to approve along with the SAEC MOU.	 Motioned to approve by Victor Rosa, Hanford Joint Union High School Seconded by Lucy Van Scyoc, Tulare Joint Unified School District Vote: All approved None opposed Motion Carried
5.5	Sinclair Broadcasting Group Marketing Agreement 2024/25-John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC	 Review, Goals and How:: Audience: 18+ male and female Challenge: Filling seats for programs and classes Goal: Increase brand awareness, get more students for ESL and Technical Work How: Utilize KMPH platform (Great Day)to increase branding, utilize Ad supported streaming to target specific individuals, utilize both KMPH and streaming to increase brand awareness and target audiences who will benefit from SAEC programs. KMPH FOX26 and KFRE CW59 can be viewed with Cle/Ads. in Broadcast Only home and Broadband Only Households. Total cost of \$21,570 (\$3,595 a month per district) for a 6 month commitment to be spread over 18 months. Members also wish to look at local stations strategically targeting communities such as Channel 21 in Cutler-Orosi. The idea was introduced that the Navigators should do more radio interviews or produce targeted videos for immigrants on topics such as how to enroll in English classes. 	 Motioned to approved by Yolanda Valdez, Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District Seconded by Kirk Shrum, Visalia Unified School District Vote: All approved None opposed Motion Carried

5.6	SAEC High School Diploma Graduation Credit Requirement Alignment – John Werner, Executive Director, SAEC and Tami Olsen, Principal of Visalia Adult School.	 What: The Consortium seeks to adopt the HSD graduation credit requirements aligned to CA state minimum - currently 135 credits Why: Adult Education HSD programs are programs of choice CAEP and WIOA performance baked outcome metrics Increasing loss of students to non-consortium programs which have already adopted state minimum requirements WIOA core partner program alignment (incentivized diploma and equivalent completion) Safeguards: AE revenues may not be used to provide services to minors (Under 18 years of age) Comprehensive HS programs must serve until expected graduation date Data show students stay with comprehensive high schools. Concerns Addressed: Tami Olsen presented data showing regular high schools are not losing students to adult schools. Tami Olsen presented updated graduation policy language for Board consideration. Amalia Lopez suggested amended language as underlined in policy below. Updated Sequoias Adult Education Consortium Graduation Policy: This policy ensures that the Sequoias Adult Education Consortium (SAEC) provides tailored education plans that meet the diverse needs of its students while maintaining academic standards and to establish clear guidelines for students enrolled in SAEC Adult Schools pursuing a High School Diploma, ensuring they meet the appropriate credit requirements based on their high school district's enrollment status, age and local policy. 	 Motioned to approved by Yolanda Valdez with amended language "and local policy" at the end of the stated policy, Cutler-Orosi Joint Unified School District Seconded by Victor Rosa, Hanford Joint Union High School Vote: All approved None opposed Motion Carried
6	Adjournment	 Next meeting 10/1/2024 at 8:00am In person at COS, Sequoias Room 1 Reminder there is no meeting in September Meeting adjourned at 9:30am 	

Encl. No. 4.1

Board Meeting Date of October 1, 2024

TO:	Sequoias Adult Education Board		
FROM:	John Werner, Executive Director		
PREPARED BY:	Adam Peck, Executive Director, WIB Tulare County		
APPROVED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director		
PRESENTED BY:	Adam Peck, Executive Director, WIB Tulare County		
AGENDA TITLE:	Tulare County Economic Outlook		
AGENDA SECTION:			
Public Comme	ent		
X Information Items: Public Interest Announcements/ Reports/Review/Status Updates/Recognitions/Board Discussion			
Action Items: Board Discussion/Action			

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

Each year, Adam Peck, Executive Director of the Tulare County WIB provides the SAEC Board with an economic outlook report. The information presented by Mr. Peck will support the SAEC Board and committees in planning and decision making as they engage in the implementation of the consortium Three-Year Plan.

CONTRACT CHANGES:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

ALIGNS TO SAEC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

The SAEC Three Year Comprehensive Plan and Annual Plans align to regional economic workforce development plans. Per the California Adult Education Program Objective 7, consortium efforts will leverage regional resources.

Encl. No. 4.2

Board Meeting Date of October 1, 2024

TO:	Sequoias Adult Education Board					
FROM:	FROM: John Werner, Executive Director					
PREPARED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director					
APPROVED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director					
PRESENTED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director					
AGENDA TITLE:	SAEC State of the Consortium Report: 2024.25					
AGENDA SECTION:						
Public Comme	ent					
X Information Ite Updates/Recognitions	ms: Public Interest Announcements/ Reports/Review/Status /Board Discussion					
Action Items: E	Action Items: Board Discussion/Action					
BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: Each program year in the fall, the SAEC Executive Director provides the SAEC Board with a report on consortium effectiveness. This "State of the Consortium Report" is followed by individual member effectiveness reports through the winter months. The SAEC Executive Director will review this process and inquire with the board about specific topics or items they wish to see addressed in those reports.						
CONTRACT CHANGES:						

ALIGNS TO SAEC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

N/A

N/A

The SAEC Board and Governance Committees will hold regular meetings in accordance with the SAEC Comprehensive Plan, Annual Plans, and Governance Document

Encl. No. 4.3

Board Meeting Date of October 1, 2024

TO: Sequoias Adult Education Board

FROM: John Werner, Executive Director

PREPARED BY: SAEC Navigators

APPROVED BY: John Werner, Executive Director

PRESENTED BY: SAEC Navigators – Carmen Becerra, Maribel Delgado, Evette Lopez

AGENDA TITLE: SAEC RISDIS Report: The Impact of Adult Education Navigators

AGENDA SECTION:

	_Public Comment
X	_Information Items: Public Interest Announcements/ Reports/Review/Status Updates/Recognitions/Board Discussion
	Action Items: Board Discussion/Action

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

The SAEC 2024/25 Annual Plan and the SAEC Three Year Plan describe the Regional Integrated Service Delivery System (RISDS) which is the strategy that provides for the SAEC Adult Education Navigators. Navigators provide direct student facing service and facilitate interagency alignment and referral. Visalia Unified School District is responsible for the implementation of the RISDS strategy, which is part of the "SAEC Office" and is the employer of the SAEC Navigators who work at the direction of the SAEC Executive Director. Funds for this service provision are provided to VUSD by the consortium. One navigator position is funded 50% by Visalia Adult School. This report will provide information on the total numbers of adults served by the SAEC Navigators this year and how the navigator service provision supports our regional adult education system and students. This report is provided as part of SAEC's ongoing program evaluation and program improvement strategies.

CONTRACT CHANGES:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Report on a SAEC Three Year Plan strategy implementation

ALIGNS TO SAEC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

RISDS is described in the SAEC 3 Year Comprehensive Plan and Annual Plan as a student support strategy.

Encl. No. 4.4

Board Meeting Date of October 1, 2024

10:	Sequolas Adult Education Board	
FROM:	John Werner, Executive Director	
PREPARED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director	
APPROVED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director	
PRESENTED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director	
AGENDA TITLE:	SAEC Report on Governance Update	
AGENDA SECTION:		
Public Comme	ent	
	ems: Public Interest Announcements/ Reports/Review/Status ognitions/Board Discussion	
Action Items: I	Board Discussion/Action	

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

SAEC updates its MOU and Report on Consortium Governance every year. The SAEC Board has taken action to approve both documents for this fiscal year and is awaiting each individual member district board to take action to approve both documents at the LEA level. All members must return a signed MOU, a signed Report on Consortium Governance, a copy of the board meeting agenda and minutes from the LEA board meeting when the documents were approved. All can be submitted via email to LaDonna Jones at liones01@vusd.org.

CONTRACT CHANGES:

N/A

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

N/A

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

N/A

ALIGNS TO SAEC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

SAEC governance and fiscal documents will maintain alignment with education code and CAEP policy.

Requesting from each school district:

- 1.Board Meeting Agenda
- 2.Revised MOU
- 3. Governance Documents
- 4.Board Meeting Minutes

School District	Board Agenda	Revised MOU	Governance Documents	Board Minutes
Alpaugh				
College of the Sequoias	X	X	x	
Corcoran				
Cutler-Orosi		Х	x	
Exeter	х	Х	x	
Farmersville				
Hanford	х	Х	X	
Linsday				
Tulare	х	х	x	
Visalia				
Woodlake				

Encl. No. 4.5

Board Meeting Date of October 1, 2024

TO:	Sequoias Adult Education Board
FROM:	John Werner, Executive Director
PREPARED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director
APPROVED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director
PRESENTED BY:	John Werner, Executive Director
AGENDA TITLE:	California Adult Education Program Technical Update
AGENDA SECTION:	
Public Comment	
	ems: Public Interest Announcements/ Reports/Review/Status ognitions/Board Discussion
Action Items:	Board Discussion/Action
overall CAEP progra	MMARY: pdates provide the SAEC Board and Partners with information regarding m compliance and policy changes. Specific topics will include: Due Dates, ment Resources, Policy changes and Events.
CONTRACT CHANG N/A	BES:
RECOMMENDED AC N/A	CTION:
FINANCIAL IMPACT: N/A	

ALIGNS TO SAEC IMPLEMENTATION PLAN:

Periodic technical updates provide the SAEC Board information for successful management and implementation of the SAEC Annual Plans.