

# Region 8 ACSA Meeting in a Memo

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Region 8 ACSA Executive Board Meeting  
Education

Santa Clara County Office of

## **EXECUTIVE BOARD REPORTS**

### **President-Elect**

#### **Dawnel Sonntag**

We are still looking for members to fill Council and Committee positions that will be opening in the fall. Here is the list of positions available:

- Council: Adult Education
- Council: Student Services and Special Education
- Committee: Co-Administrator

Please contact me at [thesonntags@sbcglobal.net](mailto:thesonntags@sbcglobal.net) if you are interested in serving in a position or have a recommendation.

### **VP Legislative Action**

#### **Michael Gallagher**

We have 27 people from 13 districts signed up for Legislative Action Day April 7 and 8 in the Capitol. All six of our assigned legislators have confirmed appointments with us, and Marc Berman's office has arranged a room for us on the 7th. Our first meeting is at 11:00, and our last is at 3:30, so it's a later day than past years. We'll see what we can do to swap late afternoon meetings (Kalra 3:00, Low 3:30) to the morning, but they all seemed to have booked mornings.

The topics for Legislative Action Day are Special Education, LCFF, and mental health. ACSA will identify specific talking points when we get closer to date, although the topic of mental health is meant to be less structured so that members can identify issues their district face concerning mental health without reference to a particular piece of legislation.

Dinner on April 7 will be at Cafeteria 15L (same as last year) at 6:00.

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Senator Beall's office has confirmed that we can attend our Awards ceremony as an honoree on May 10, which is wonderful. We can personally invite him at Leg Action Day, though he's already confirmed.

Finally, the DeAnza Charter invited Marc Berman to its Every Student Succeeding Awards ceremony. Thought he can't personally attend, his staff will attend with fancy Assembly Awards for each student

## **Membership Update**

### **Jeff Bowman**

State ACSA is continuing to build our Education Leadership voice by increasing Statewide membership. Please remember that as we reach the point in the year when members change jobs that you must move your membership with you. ACSA has 17,261 members, and local membership for Region 8 has 916 total members of which 723 are regular members.

## **Programs Update**

### **Dawnel Sonntag & Andrew Derrick**

Save the date for our Executive Board Meeting and Leadership Forum on Thursday, April 18, from 4:00-7:00 at Fiorillo's Restaurant in Santa Clara ( 638 EL Camino Real). Our Executive Board Meeting will begin at 4:00 and run until about 5:30. At that time, our fellow members will join us for dinner, and our Leadership Forum program will begin about 6:00 pm. Our series speaker, Milton Reynolds, will continue engaging us in equity work and inspiring us to make change.

We also look forward to seeing you at our joint networking event with Membership on April 23 at the Capitol Club, where we will learn from each other and share best practices; look for more information about this event soon.

Finally, we hope to see you at our ACSA Region 8 Leadership Awards night on Friday, May 10, at the Corinthian Ballroom, where we will celebrate the contributions of many outstanding educators. There is still time to RSVP!

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## **Awards**

### **Alyssa Lynch & Mala Ahuja**

You are invited to our 2019 ACSA Region 8 Leadership Awards Dinner and Ceremony. We will be gathering at The Corinthian Grand Ballroom in Downtown San Jose (196 N. 3rd St.) on Friday, May 10. The doors to the ballroom will open at 5:30 pm. Shortly after, we will enjoy dinner, the awards ceremony, and dancing!

All members, awardees and non-members/guests need to register by Friday, May 3 (no walk ins). Please complete the [RSVP](#) form to select your entree choice and reserve your spot! In addition, we will honor several district first year Superstar Administrators and Senator Jim Beall as our "Friend of Education. Feel free to invite non-members you think may want to celebrate with us. Here is a list of our [Region 8 Award Winners](#). We look forward to seeing you there!

## **Communications**

### **Sheila Walters**

Our last issue of OCHO (Feb. 2019) was the most-read OCHO since it became an online newsletter. The open rate was up by 7% from the previous highest open rate from the October 2015 OCHO. Factoid: 64% opened the newsletter on a desktop and 36% opened the newsletter on a mobile device. We are also now using a SCCOE mailing address to satisfy the requirement to state a physical address on the document. This will eliminate the previous cost of having to obtain a P.O. Box. Thanks to Matthew Tinsley, County Office of Education Administrators Association President, and Joann Vaars, ACSA Region 8 President, for their work to make this happen!



## **Women's Leadership Network**

### **Mary Ann Dewan**

Region 8 WLN Presents: Empowering Self, Empowering Others, Tues. May 7 from 7:30 to 9:30 am at the Santa Clara County Office of Education

Join Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, Santa Clara County Superintendent of Schools, and Rosie Rios, the 43rd Treasurer of the United States, to network with one another and discuss how to unlock greater leadership potential in ourselves and others.

Free for ASCA members plus one guest is complimentary. Non-members \$10. Includes breakfast, networking, and engaging presentations.

For more information, see our flyer: [Women's Leadership Network Presents](#)

Register at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/acsa-region-8-womens-leadership-network-event-tickets-52287560501>

## **COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Classified Educational Leaders**

#### **Sylvia Alvarez**

The 2019 CEL Institute, held at the Monterey Tides Hotel this year was one of the largest events CEL has ever experienced (and completely sold out)! Registrations for the institute included 194 attendees, with more registrations coming in on Wednesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>. Everyone who attended experienced three days of learning, sharing and lots networking while attending a wide range of empowering sessions. During our first opening session, *Dr. Rob Martinez, Ed.D.* Assistant Superintendent, Fairfield-Suisun ESD engaged everyone on "Powerful Leadership through Transformational Resilience." *Allison Kluger, CO-Instructor*, Stanford's Graduate School of Business empowered attendees on "How to Communicate Like a Leader." On the last day of the CEL Institute, *Linda McFarland, Founder/Consultant, Ascend2Success* inspired attendees with her presentation on how to "Unleash the Leader Within."

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Region 8 had a total of 23 attendees. This is the most number of participants from one region who have attended the CEL Institute in the past. Attendees from Region 8 gathered for a social hour, received a region “CEL”ebration t-shirt and enjoyed some fabulous desserts.

Be on the lookout for next year’s CEL Institute dates. I will be sending personal invites to all Region 8 members and non-members. Feel free to email me with questions on how to request scholarships to attend next year’s CEL Institute and/or any other professional development opportunities offered by ACSA.

Reminder: You do not have to be an administrator to attend the CEL Institute; classified staff are always welcome to attend. Please consider and encourage your classified staff, to attend the next CEL Institute. Hope to see you all there!

ACSA, REGION 8  
ROCKED AT THE 2019 CEL INSTITUTE  
Monterey Tides, CA

(A Special thank you to Martin Cisneros, Academic Technology Specialist,  
Santa Clara County Office of Education for this great photo of ACSA Region 8, Attendees)



## Career Technical Education

### **Alyssa Lynch**

On March 13th, the State Board of Education approved the California Incentive Grant (CTEIG) allocations. There were 337 applications approved. [CTEIG Allocations](#)

On February 25th, Assemblymember Patrick O'Donnell introduced [AB 1303](#) which requests an additional \$150 million for Career Technical Education programs. Last year, O'Donnell was a

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champion for the ongoing CTEIG Funding which was just allocated. We will keep you posted on the progress of the AB1303 as it moves through the legislative committees.

## **Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment**

### **Cheryl Jordan**

Our CIA Council is in the midst of establishing creative solutions and systems that will support ACSA's Strategic Plan. These are the three areas that the Council will address; Member Development/Support, Advocacy & Influence, and Organizational Development & Sustainability. Look for the first of a quarterly blast on member support to come in August. The Council is teaming up with CA Association of Supervision, Curriculum, & Design to support practicing and aspiring CIA leaders including teachers and co-administrators. Following are three quick glances at state systems of support:

- [Statewide System of Support Update by Roni Jones, Senior Manager Systems of Support, CCEE](#) collaborative approach to building systems of support and in particular, community engagement. The CCEE is looking for promising practices with an eye towards communication, decision making, and actions of engagement. Contact Roni Jones: [rjones@ccee-ca.org](mailto:rjones@ccee-ca.org)
- LCAP & CAASPP Results are In, Now What? [West Ed Spring and Summer Workshops](#)
- [Updates by CDE Deputy Supt. Keric Ashley](#), NOTE: March 22<sup>nd</sup> deadline to submit dynamic elementary formative assessment examples of NGSS implementation.

## **CHARTER UPDATES**

### **County Office of Education Administrators Association**



#### **Matthew Tinsley**

COEAA held its annual Every Student Succeeding breakfast on Thursday March 14th, hosted by the County

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Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mary Ann Dewan, Metropolitan Education District Superintendent, Alyssa Lynch and COEAA President, Matthew Tinsley. We honored outstanding students from SCCOE's Migrant Education, Alternative Education, Opportunity Youth Academy, Walden West Outdoor Education and Early Learning programs and from MetroEd's Career Technical Education program. At the event we also recognized the three SCCOE leaders who have received ACSA Region 8 Administrator of the Year awards – Rhonda Beasley, Priscila Caballero and Sandi Yellenberg. It was wonderful event that serves to remind us all of the impact the school administrators help to make in the lives of children and families. The fun for COEAA members will continue later in the month with our annual chili cook-off on March 22<sup>nd</sup>