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Region 6 Association
of California School
Administrators

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ELECTION RESULTS

Thanks to all ACSA members who voted in our recent election. As a result of your votes, we are pleased to announce that in 2016-17 our Region President-Elect will be Essence Phillips of Antioch Unified School District and our new Comptroller will be Soleste Hillberg of Newark Unified School District.



As a past president for ACSA'S Region 6 - Delta Charter and former Vice-President and Secretary of that same charter, Essence Phillips has been very involved and dedicated to the mission of ACSA at large and serving the local and county administrators. Most recently she has been serving as the VP of Legislative Action for Region 6 and enjoys working in conjunction with the region VP's state-wide to enact the vision and mission of ACSA as a whole. It has been a great learning experience working alongside Linda Kaminski to advocate for

students and administrators throughout California.

Essence has been in the education field since 1987 and has served in various capacities for children such as: para-professional, elementary teacher, high school teacher, vice-principal of both elementary and secondary education; principal of both elementary and secondary education: adult education teacher, Director in Educational Services and most recently Director of Human Resources. In addition, she has taught at the university level. Essence worked for Los Angeles USD, Hayward USD and has been employed by the Antioch Unified School District for 17 years. Her varied experiences and diverse background educationally prepare her to serve every constituent within the ACSA Region 6 organization with dedication, confidence and poise..



Soleste Hillberg is currently serving on the ACSA Region 6 Executive Board as the At-Large Member for Alameda County. She has served as a Delegate for Region 6 for the last two years. Soleste is the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services for the Newark Unified Schools District, was previously a Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Accountability, and an Assessment Coordinator. Prior to district administration, Dr. Hilberg was a senior research analyst at UC Berkeley, a research project manager at UC Santa Cruz, and a research program manager at SRI

International. She holds a Ph.D. in Education, an MS in Computer Engineering, an MA in Education Research and a BA in Mathematics. She is committed to equity and opportunity for children through rigorous, research-based instruction, and is looking forward to opportunities to serve ACSA as Comptroller for Region 6 .

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ACSA Region 6 Administrator of the Year Winners

Superintendent: Dr. Dana Eaton: Brentwood Union, Delta Charter

Secondary Principal: Kibby Kleiman, West Contra Costa Charter

Middle School Principal: Margaret Arman, San Lorenzo Charter

Elementary Principal: Cindy Hicks-Rodriguez, Fremont Charter

Central Office Admin: Cindy Alba, Livermore Valley Joint Charter

Secondary Co-Admin: Heidi McFadden, Fremont Charter

Elementary Co-Admin: Jennifer Molino, Diablo Mangers Charter

Classified Leader: Kandi Gravenmier, Diablo Valley Charter

Confidential Employee: Sherri Rivenbark, West Contra Costa Charter

Personnel/Human Resources: Marci Williams, West Contra Costa Charter

Adult Ed: Valerie Lynn Garrett, West Contra Costa Charter

Special Education Admin: Wendi Aghily, Diablo Managers Charter

Business Service Admin: Connie Lu, Newark Charter

Pupil Personnel Admin: Linda Freccero, San Lorenzo, Charter

Curriculum & Instruction: Amy Robbins, Livermore Charter

Continuation/Ed Options Admin: Scott Bergerhouse, Delta Charter

Retired Admin: Maryann Hussey, Delta Charter

Technology Admin: Larry Simon, Newark Charter

Valuing Diversity: Arlando Smith, New Haven Charter

Ferd j. Kiesel Memorial: Lindsey Osborne, Delta Charter

Partners in Education: Behring Family, Diablo Valley Charter

Marcus Foster: Lisa Murphy Oates, Diablo Managers Charter

ACSA REGION 6 STUDENT WINNERS

Congratulations!!!

Each year ACSA Region 6 awards Scholarships, Mini-Grants and Every Student Succeeding grants to outstanding students and school/district programs. You can find the applications for these awards yearly on our ACSA site. (acsaregion6.org)

Every Student Succeeding (Students overcoming major obstacles)

Kassan Ortiz Farrakhan - \$1,000 winner – Pittsburg Unified School District
Parkside Elementary, Jeff Varner ACSA student sponsor

Leonard Bivin - \$250 winner – John Swett School District
Willow High School – Ken Nelson ACSA student sponsor

Aminah Crochet - \$250 winner – John Swett School District,
Carquinez Middle School – Annie Flores-Aikey ACSA student sponsor

Beckie Phanh - \$250 winner – West Contra Costa Unified,
Pinole Valley High School, Kibby Kleiman ACSA student sponsor

Tresjur Faulkner - \$250 winner- Dublin Unified School District
Valley High School, Barbara Heisser ACSA student sponsor

Candace Owens - \$250 winner – John Swett School District,
John Swett High School, Jeff Brauning ACSA student sponsor

Student Scholarships (Students of ACSA members planning to attend college or post graduate degree 10 scholarships of \$1,000)

Matthew Haun-\$1,000 – California State University East Bay, post graduate degree – ACSA member Janet Haun

Thoren T. Bradley -\$1,000 – University of Pacific , post graduate degree - ACSA member Sandra O Bradley

Andrew DeLapo -\$1,000 – St. Joseph’s Notre Dame High School Alameda – ACSA member Lisa DeLapo

Trevor Koehne -\$1,000 – San Ramon Unified School District, California High School – ACSA member Christine Koehne

Allison Rohlfs -\$1,000 – Brentwood Unified School District, Heritage High School –ACSA member Guy Rohlfs

Charli Faris -\$1,000 – Pleasanton Unified School District, Amador High School- ACSA member Paul Faris

Brian Clark -\$1,000 –Antioch Unified School District, Deer Valley High School- ACSA member Brian Clark

Jacinda Wollenweber -\$1,000 – Pittsburg Unified School District, Pittsburg High School-
ACSA member Kristen Wollenweber

Garret Meyer -\$1,000 – San Ramon Unified School District, California High School – ACSA member
Kristan Martin-Meyer

Juliana Johnson -\$1,000 – Antioch Unified School District, San Damenco High School- ACSA member Julie Johnson

RASA NETWORKING EVENT

RASA the charter for West Contra Costa Unified School District had a successful Best Practices Networking event on January 19, 2016. Our presenters were our RASA/ACSA winners for this year's outstanding administrator's awards. Dr. Valerie Garrett, Kibby Kleiman, Marci Williams and Linda Wilkinson! They shared some effective practices that exemplify why they are winners! Members and guest in attendance enjoyed an afternoon of learning and networking!





WELCOME NEW ACSA MEMBERS

Amanda Golliver, Newark USD

Guthrie Fleischman, West Contra Costa USD

Catherine Ezidro, Antioch USD

Christie Steiner, Antioch USD

Michael Ratkewicz, Hayward USD

Connie Lu, Newark USD

Lawrence Simon, Newark USD

Nicole Ruiz, West Contra Costa USD

Mary Ainsworth, San Lorenzo USD

Margaret Arman, San Lorenzo USD

DeeAnn Cortes, San Leandro USD

Brandy Byers, Walnut Creek ESD

Kathleen Cavanaugh, San Ramon USD

Joanna Ayala, Martinez USD

Susan Borer, Oakley UESD

Jodi Allen, Mt. Diablo USD

STUDENT MEMBERS

Ellen Weinstock Mehl, Mt. Diablo USD

Joanna Ayala, Martinez USD

Kerry Cusack, Martinez USD

Janae Fine, Mt. Diablo USD

Megan Gemma, Mt. Diablo USD

Joyelle McCarthy, Pleasanton USD

Suleyma Moss, Mt. Diablo USD

Jesse Padilla, San Ramon Valley USD

Lisa Padway, Pleasanton USD

Julie Promes, San Ramon Valley USD

Chi-Ching Shui, San Ramon Valley USD

Rhonda Taft, San Ramon Valley USD

Heidi Tank, Brentwood UESD

Patricia Templeton, Orinda UESD

Patricia Velapanur, Fremont USD

DELTA CHARTER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING EVENT

On the afternoon of January 26, over 50 administrators in the Delta Charter participated in a workshop by Rosemary Louissaint on *Social Justice Issues for Black and Latino Males*. Ms. Louissaint is on the staff of CTA's Regional UniServe in Concord. The session's goals included participants engaging in "real conversations and personal reflections" about Black and Latino male students; having a better understanding of the need for change in schools and classrooms; having useful tips to help support better school and classroom engagement and learning; and recognizing the value of building real relationships with all students and staff.

If you would like more information about this workshop, contact Jeff Varner, President of Delta Charter. Jeff is the Principal of Parkside Elementary School in Pittsburg.



ACSA REGION 6 MINI GRANT WINNERS

Martinez Adult Education, Kathy Farwell—Career Education Pre-Apprentice Program

Los Cerros Middle School, Evan Powell—Growing Green Energy Education Module

Floyd Marchus School Counseling and Education Program, Dave Fendel—Functional Life Skills

Walnut Acres Elementary, Colleen Dowd—21st Century Robotics Units

Brookvale Elementary, Cindy Hicks—Flip Video Speaking and Listening Standards Program

LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

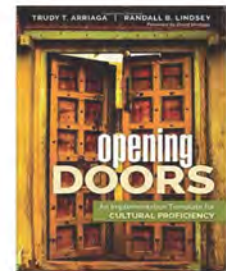
Q: What do the authors/co-authors of these books have in common?



Peter Senge



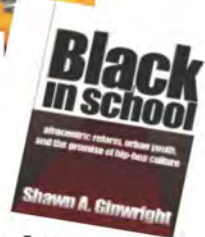
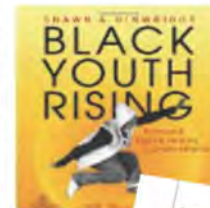
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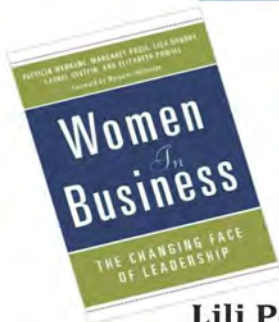
Trudy Arriaga



Sharon Ellison



Shawn Ginwright



Lili Powell



Steve Ventura

A: They will all be presenting at the ACSA Region 6 Leadership Summit! <http://region6summit2016.eventbrite.com>