

San Diego Unified School District  
**GATE DAC Meeting**  
**May 8, 2017**  
**MINUTES**

The meeting was convened at 6:35 p.m. at the Ballard Parent Center Auditorium.

Introductions: Mary Ann Hawke introduced herself as Chair, Heidi Atchison as 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, and Lily Higman as 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair of the GATE DAC. She let parents know that a translator was available as well as childcare for those who were interested.

GATE Testing Update: Carrie Rea, Program Manager for the Office of Related Services and Kristin Makena, Senior Psychologist, provided an update on the identification process. Power Point will be posted on the GATE website.

Data Hand-out: Mary Ann Hawke reviewed the data hand out made available at the meeting and through the GATE website.

GATE Report: Melissa Roy -Wood, GATE Program Manager, gave a program update. Items included: The updated GATE Program Summary form, deadlines for submission, where to find updated school GATE Program Summaries on the GATE website, and suggestions for sharing input with site principals during the completion of the GATE Program Summaries.

Year End Wrap-Up: Mary Ann Hawke went over the GATE DAC Rep “Wrapping Up the Year” hand-out, also available on the GATE website.

Looking Ahead: Mary Ann Hawke led the group in making suggestions for next year’s focus for the GATE DAC and reminded all attendees that they are welcome and encouraged to attend the GATE DAC Steering Committee meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>.

Parenting Your Gifted (and Active) Child: Mary Ann Hawke presented information from TiltParenting.com, hand-out available through the GATE website. Mary Ann also shared a new theory on sensory processing.

Closing: Mary Ann Hawke, Chairperson, reminded attendees of an opportunity for parents to advocate for their children through a district postcard campaign. She made postcards available and asked parent representatives to share them with the GATE parents at their school site.

Steering Committee Meeting – June 12, 2017

The next meeting – September 11, 2017

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.