

fresno county superintendent of schools

Special Education Local Plan Area Trina Frazier, Chief Student Services Officer

Executive Committee Meeting
March 4, 2019
2:00 p.m. ~ 3:00 p.m. ❖ FCSS, 6th Floor Conference Room

Members Present: Region I: Andrew Alvarado; Region II: Dr. Tanya Fisher; Region III: None; Region IV: Tangee Pinheiro; Fresno County SELPA: Trina Frazier, Romy Chachere, Eddie Davidson, Leslie Cox, Laura Wascher

I. Call to Order

T. Frazier

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

MSC T. Fisher / A. Alvarado

III. *Approval of Minutes of February 4, 2019

MSC A. Alvarado / T. Fisher

IV. *Low Incidence Equipment Application Report

L. Cox

T. Frazier

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Leslie Cox, SELPA/Special Education Principal, reviewed the Low Incidence (LI) Equipment Application Report for February 2019. Leslie explained some of the equipment that was purchased for LI students and how it supports their learning. Leslie also shared information regarding the book, The Silent Garden, written by Dr. Paul Ogden. Grant funding through The SunFlowers Project has allowed for the purchase of a copy of The Silent Garden to be provided as a resource to every family of a deaf student.

V. *FCOE Operated Programs Class Size Capacity

T. Pinheiro

Tangee Pinheiro, Senior Special Education Director, reviewed the handout titled "FCOE Operated Programs Class Size Capacity as of March 3, 2019". There are currently 636 students enrolled in county-operated programs with 64 pending referrals. April 15, 2019 is the cut-off date to be in the cue for possible placement of a referral for next year.

VI. *Percentage of Students Served

T. Pinheiro

Tangee shared the handout titled "Percentage of Students Served as of March 3, 2019". This document shows how many students are in each county-operated program and how much percentage of the SELPA each district makes up.

VII. Proposed Changes to the Local Plan

E. Davidson

Eddie Davidson, Director of Fiscal Student Services, discussed the possibility of proposing new language into the local plan to address the concern of services being provided outside of Fresno County borders. Members discussed a change to the Local Plan that would require services to be provided within Fresno County borders only. The option of a 'fee for service' for services provided outside of county boundaries may be considered. Trina Frazier, Chief Student Services Officer, shared that there are currently bills that are pending regarding charter schools that could potentially affect this situation. Members agreed to continue the discussion after the outcome of the bills is known.

VIII. Transfer of Expenditures from AB114 to AB602

E. Davidson

Eddie explained to members that the AB602 balance has been depleted. One way to expend these funds is on Emotionally Disturbed (ED) classroom settings. Funds can be used for teachers and paras in ED settings. This topic will be brought forth to SGC members for input on the transferring of funds.

IX. *State Apportionment for 2018-19 P-1

E. Davidson

Eddie reviewed the handout titled, "State Apportionment for 2018-19 P-1". There was some growth during the P-1 reporting period and Eddie reminded members that there is typically a drop in apportionment during the P-2 reporting period. This document was also shared with the fiscal contacts at districts.

X. *Federal IDEA Report 1 for 2018-19, Update

E. Davidson

Eddie explained the handout titled, "Federal IDEA Report 1 for 2018-19, Update". This is for the reporting period of July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 and shows what was spent as a SELPA during that timeframe. Eddie shared that he has not submitted for reimbursement yet, as the grant award has not yet been received.

XI. *Federal IDEA Report 5 for 2017-18, Update

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled, "Federal IDEA Report 5 for 2017-18, Update". This report has been sent to CDE. Eddie explained that some members have leftover funds that will need to be expended by June 30, 2019. He has reached out to those districts to assist them with how this can be done.

XII. Administrative Updates

T. Frazier

A. Bill Update

1.AB428 Letter of Support

February 22, 2019 was the last day for bills to be introduced. Trina shared information regarding AB428. This bill would bring our SELPA up to the 95th percentile for funding. It will go to a hearing with the Assembly Education Committee on March 13. Trina will update members on the outcome.

B. Behavioral Health Partnership Update

There are 16 districts being onboarded to participate in year 2 of the Behavioral Health collaboration. Meetings with these year 2 districts are being conducted now so that districts are able to plan their professional development calendars to accommodate the required trainings for staff. Trina also shared the goal of receiving 750 referrals for Behavioral Health services by June 30, 2019. The program is currently on track to reach that goal.

XIII. Future Agenda Items

T. Frazier

XIV. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- A. Operations Committee Meeting: March 14, 2019, 9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m., Room 201
- B. SGC Meeting: March 28, 2019, 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m., Room 201

XV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:49 p.m.

MSC A. Alvarado / T. Fisher