

fresno county superintendent of schools



Special Education Local Plan Area

Trina Frazier, Chief Student Services Officer

Superintendents' Governance Council September 24, 2020 ♦ 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. via Zoom Minutes

I. Call to Order

J. Yovino

The meeting was called to order at 8:32 a.m.

II. *Adoption of Agenda

J. Yovino

A. Jones / A. Alvarado MSC

III. *Approval of Minutes of May 28, 2020 Meeting Minutes

J. Yovino

T. Fisher / J. Campbell MSC

IV. Community Input

T. Frazier

The public may address the Fresno County SELPA Policy Committee pursuant to established procedures and will have up to three minutes to do so. No action shall be taken (E.C. 35145.5). Members of the public who have a disability in need of a modification or accommodation in order to participate in the SGC meeting may contact the SGC coordinator 72 hours prior to the meeting with the request.

V. Communications

T. Frazier

None.

VI. Standing Committee Reports

T. Frazier

A. None

VII. Information and Reports

T. Frazier

A. Administrator's Report – Highlights of Current Information

1. Fiscal Update

Trina Frazier, SELPA Administrator, informed members of the letter regarding initial and annual IEP past due deadlines for districts and county-operated programs from California Department of Education (CDE). The letter requests a reduction of 20% in each category within the next 30 days and then 20% each following month. There will not be any corrective action required. CDE will follow progress on CALPADS.

2. Maintenance-of-Effort Update

Due to COVID and the reduction of expenditures, some districts may have a reduction in their Maintenance-of-Effort (MOE). Trina reminded members to inform their business departments to continue running MOE reports on a regular basis. Please contact Eddie Davidson, Fiscal Student Services Director, if members are concerned about not meeting MOE. There are allowances within the SELPA that can help members meet their MOE requirement. As a reminder, members will need to spend the same as or more each year.

B. *FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity

T. Frazier

Trina shared the handout titled "FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity" informing members of the enrollment numbers of each of our classrooms in county-operated. This report also includes the number of NPS placements within the SELPA.

C. *Percentage of Students Served in County Programs by DOR

T. Frazier

Trina shred the handout titled "Percentage of Students Served in County Programs by DOR" showing members the percentage of students from their district within each program.

D. *Funding Allocation for 2019-20 Year End Final, & Funding Allocation E. Davidson Update for 2020-21 Estimate 2

Eddie shared the handout titled "Funding Allocation for 2019-20 Year End Final, & Funding Allocation Update for 2020-21 Estimate 2". This information went out to the Chief Business Officers (CBOs) at each district within the SELPA to inform them of the amounts being provided to their Local Educational Agency (LEA).

E. *Transportation Billback Update for 2019-20 Year End

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Transportation Billback Update for 2019-20 Year End" showing members how the Fresno County SELPA closed 2019-20 Transportation. The SELPA is working with First Student regarding negotiations of expenditures during school closures. First Student may have received COVID relief funds, which will be taken into account when determining a settlement amount. The calculated billback cost per rider is \$5,529.60, a decrease from the estimated \$8,400 due to COVID and subsequent school facility closures. The Fresno County Superintendent of Schools (FCSS) contract with First Student terminates in 2021. Discussions are being held to determine if FCSS will go out to bid or enter into a new contract with First Student.

F. *SELPA 3-Year ADA History Report

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "SELPA 3-Year ADA History Report" which shows the average daily attendance (ADA) over the course of three fiscal years. Information for charters authorized by LEAs has been broken out as charters may have an impact on ADA, different from its schools. Charters may have frequent increases or decreases in ADA as they are very fluid.

G. *SELPA Charter School Review

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "SELPA Charter School Review", showing members any charters that their LEA authorized and if that charter is in the Fresno County SELPA or another SELPA.

H. *SELPA Weighted Votes for 2020-21

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "SELPA Weighted Votes for 2020-21" noting that there are currently 31 members of the SELPA, requiring 16 to make a quorum.

I. *Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 6 Update for 2018-19

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 6 Update for 2018-19". This is report number 6 out of a total of 7 for IDEA funds. Some members have not fully expended these funds. If there is a balance, there is only one last report. If members are not able to fully expend their balance, the County-Operated Program for Special Education may be able to spend the balances on behalf of the LEA, which would reduce the amount needed from the districts. Eddie is working closely with district CBOs and Superintendents in order not to forfeit the money back to CDE.

VIII. Action Items

J. Yovino

A. *Proposed Changes to the Funding Allocation Plan

The handout of proposed changes to the Funding Allocation Plan were presented to members regarding transportation billback, the mental health NPS/NPA pool, and the legal pool. The proposed changes were approved by members with the revision of clarifying that each legal pool claim is in fact based on claims and not cases. This revision specifies that each claim is equal to one case. Members agreed to remove the change to add that a maximum number of claims each year would be three.

0 Nays / 17 Yays *MSC*

IX. Future Agenda Items/Updates

J. Yovino

None.

X. Next SGC Meeting October 22, 2020 via Zoom

J. Yovino

XI. Adjournment

J. Yovino

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m. A. Alvarado / S. Rosa MSC