

resno county superintendent of schools



Special Education Local Plan Area

Trina Frazier, Assistant Superintendent

Executive Committee Meeting November 2, 2020 2:00 p.m. ~ 3:00 p.m. **�** via Zoom

Minutes

I. Call to Order T. Frazier

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m.

II. Adoption of Agenda

A. Alvarado/O. Hirschkorn MSC

III. *Approval of Minutes of October 5, 2020

O. Hirschkorn/A. Alvarado MSC

IV. *Low Incidence Equipment Application Report

L. Cox

T. Frazier

T. Frazier

Leslie Cox, Principal, shared the October 2020 Low Incidence Equipment Application Report. Orin/Alvarado

V. *FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity

T. Pinheiro

Tangee Pinheiro, Executive Director of Special Education reviewed the handout titled "FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity". There are currently a total of 619 students enrolled in county-operated programs. There are 19 enrolled in an NPS and 45 pending referrals. Referrals have been on hold, but now Principals are starting to work with Local Educational Agencies (LEA) to begin placements since we have returned students to campuses. There are some classrooms in the Integrated Sites programs that have not reopened since some of those districts have not reopened yet. About 192 students were expected to return. There are about 100 who have returned. Some families did not feel ready yet, but it is anticipated that when they see classroom sizes are small, they may feel more comfortable.

VI. *Percentage of Students Served

T. Pinheiro

Tangee reviewed the handout titled "Percentage of Students Served" which shows the percentage of students enrolled; not only students who are attending in-person. Teacher will be taking attendance in Aeries soon which will allow us to differentiate who is attending via distance learning or in-person.

VII. *Funding Allocation Update for 2020-21 Quarter 1

E. Davidson

Eddie reviewed the handout titled "Funding Allocation Update for 2020-21 Quarter 1". This spreadsheet includes the various funding sources we have for special education. This includes the estimated increase of \$625 per ADA for AB 602 State funding.

VIII. *Transportation Billback Update for 2020-21, Quarter 1

E. Davidson

Eddie reviewed the handout titled "Transportation Billback Update for 2020-21, Quarter 1". Eddie explained that this is using prior year as the amount due to the fact that our expenditures are difficult to forecast at the moment. There is not an accurate estimate for 2020-21 at this time therefore; Eddie shared that actuals will be provided at the next meeting.

IX. *Approve Claims for 2019-20

E. Davidson

NPS and Legal claims were presented for members to approve.

A. Alvarado/W. Sever MSC

X. *Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 4 Update for 2019-20

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 4 Update for 2019-20". This is Report 4 out of 7 that members can claim reimbursements. These are generally for expenditures from July 1 to September 20. Almost every LEA has fully expended funds in resource 3310. Eddie explained that resource 3311 is more difficult to expend. This is for members who have private school student enrollments. There is a considerable balance in resource 3315 for preschool. This report was sent to CDE on Friday. Eddie will be sending to district fiscal contacts.

XI. *Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 7 Update for 2018-19

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 7 Update for 2018-19". Report 7 is last of 7 the reports, therefore everything must be expended or dollars are forfeited. Funds were fully expended with the exception of resource 3311 for private school funds. Two LEA members did not expend this resource and the funds were forfeited.

XII. Administrative Updates

T. Frazier

A. First Student Update

Trina Frazier, SELPA Director, shared that FCSS met with First Student. Our regular bill would have been just under one million dollars. They asked for \$360,000 for expenses they incurred during closures. Trina shared that we learned what Fresno Unified settled with them for and their plan for renewing their contract. There is a concern that since we did not have any other bidders the last time we went out to bid, that we may not this time either. Therefore, we would like to extend our contract with them for another five years in order to lock into low rates. Trina shared that this is what Fresno USD has done too. We are offering to settle for \$100,000 instead of the requested \$360,000. First Student accepted this amount, but asked us to start the school year in mid-August. We will be negotiating a start date in September. First Student's routes have resumed for students who returned in-person in October. Trina explained that if we do not lock into another contract with them and if First Student is the only bidder, they could come back with any amount, which would leave us no room to negotiate. This gives us another five years to start using another provider if that may be interested. The contract does not say that we cannot use another provider. Members present agreed with this plan.

XIII. Future Agenda Items

T. Frazier

None.

XIV. Upcoming Meeting Dates:

- A. Operations Committee Meeting: November 12, 2020, 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m., Zoom
- B. SGC Meeting: November 19, 2020, 8:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m., Zoom

XV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

W. Sever/O. Hirschkorn MSC