



FRESNO COUNTY SELPA SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

Trina Frazier, Assistant Superintendent

Superintendents' Governance Council May 27, 2021 ♦ 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. via Zoom Minutes

PLEASE NOTE: For public access instructions and opportunities for public comments, please contact tfrazier@fcoe.org or (559) 265-3049 5:00 p.m. on May 25, 2021. Trina Frazier will respond with further instructions.

Members Present: Region I: Andrew Alvarado, Alan Harris, Steve Rosa **Region II:** John Campbell, Gracie Guerrero, Adela Jones, Paul Marietti, Wes Sever, Judi Szpor, **Region III:** Jesus Cruz, Orin Hirschhorn, Mike Iribarren, Terry Hirschfield, Martin Macias, Shelly Manser, Randy Morris, Jeff Percell, JoJo Reyes, Elizabeth Runyon, Juan Sandoval, Ralph Vigil, Lori Villanueva **Region IV:** Hank Gutierrez, Jim Yovino **SELPA Staff:** Trina Frazier, Eddie Davidson, Laura Wascher

I. Call to Order

J. Yovino

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 a.m.
Jeff Percell / Andrew Alvarado *MSC*

II. *Adoption of Agenda

J. Yovino

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III. *Approval of Minutes of April 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes

J. Yovino

Jeff Percell / Andrew Alvarado *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.
None.

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

Trina Frazier, SELPA Administrator, shared information regarding AB967 regarding COVID Relief funds. A state treasury fund would be established for any due process, litigation or alternative dispute resolution centered around COVID. This bill went into the suspense file but has come out and is headed to the floor. AB1316 proposes significant reforms around charters and independent study is moving forward to committee. AB104 regarding student retention is in committee on the senate side. Trina shared with members that First Student is being bought out by another company. The sale should be final sometime in the fall. Legal Counsel has

**indicates handout*

confirmed that this buyout will not make any changes to our current contract. All the First Student staff will remain in place. Jim Yovino, Superintendent of Schools, shared with members that the 5% super Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) that is being projected does not come to the county office, however it may come to special education. Trina shared that Coalition for Adequate Special Education Funding and the State SELPA Association are lobbying very hard for the super COLA to be applied to special education.

- 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 as of May 18, 2021. We have been increasing the number of days students are attending county-operated programs.
- C. *Percentage of Students Served in County Programs by DOR** T. Frazier
Trina shared the handout titled “Percentage of Students Served in County Programs by DOR” as of May 18, 2021. This shows members the number of students they have in our different programs. We are doing Summer Academy in addition to Extended School Year (ESY) for three weeks at Ramacher and Sutherland.
- D. *Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 2 Update for 2020-21** E. Davidson
Eddie Davidson, Student Services Fiscal Director, shared the handout titled “Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 2 Update for 2020-21”. Page 7 shows the cumulative amount submitted to CDE for reimbursement. Page 8 shows the current balances. Eddie informed members that there is nothing alarming. The only concern is that private school dollars can be a challenge to fully expend.
- E. Claims for 2020-21, Due 7/31/21** E. Davidson
Eddie will be sending out a message with a webpage link to program and fiscal contacts at districts to inform them that we are now open for legal and NPS/NPA cost claim submissions.

VIII. Action Items

J. Yovino

A. *IEE Policy

Trina explained the updated Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) policy. This policy allows parents to request an outside evaluation. Requests are currently higher due to COVID. The three areas updated on this policy are: “FCOE” changed to “FCSS”, the types of assessments have been updated, and the cost limitations have been updated to current rates. Our SELPA Compliance Officer contacted independent evaluators in the area to obtain current costs. The rates have also been compared to other Region VII rates. Trina shared that on page 5 of 6, the cost limitation for “Transition-Post Secondary”, under “Types of Assessments” should read \$750.00 instead of the \$3,000. A motion was made to approve item as presented.

Orin Hirschhorn /Lori Villanueva *MSC*

23 Yays / 0 Nays

IX. Future Agenda Items/Updates

J. Yovino

None.

X. Next SGC Meeting is September 23, 2021, Room 101T

J. Yovino

XI. Adjournment

J. Yovino

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 a.m.

Adela Jones / Jeff Percell *MSC*