

FRESNO COUNTY SELPA SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

Trina Frazier, Assistant Superintendent

Superintendents' Governance Council February 24, 2022 ♦ 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m., 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 February 23, 2022. Trina Frazier will respond with further instructions

I. Call to Order

J. Yovino

The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m.

II. *Adoption of Agenda

J. Yovino

J. Percell / S. Rosa

III. *Approval of Minutes of November 18, 2021 Meeting Minutes

J. Yovino

J. Percell / S. Rosa

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

Trina Frazier, SELPA Administrator, shared that the average daily attendance (ADA) base rate will be raised from \$715 in 2021-22 to \$820 in 2022-23. For transparency, each SELPA will need to report to Local Education Agencies (LEAs) apportionment within 30 days. We currently receive about \$16 per ADA; the rest goes to Educationally Related Mental Health Services (ERMHS) and the Behavior Intervention Team (BIT). Those services provided by county-operated will continue, therefore we would have to start using AB602 dollars. Trina also shared that students with disabilities will be eligible for the state preschool program and that we are watching a two year bill regarding dyslexia.

B. *FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity

T. Frazier

Trina shared the handout titled "FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity as of February 15, 2022" which shows how many students are in each classroom within the 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 February 15, 2022". This report shows members what percentage of the SELPA they make up. Jim Yovino, Superintendent of Schools, informed members that classroom space is needed at district sites. As our referrals continue to rise, and existing classrooms are at capacity, Jim asked members to keep this in mind while planning for future space needs. Trina shared that we have four classrooms that we need space for going forward.

D. *SELPA Annual Treasurer's Report for 2020-21 and Proposed One-Time Distribution of **Fund Balances for 2021-22** E. Davidson

Eddie Davidson, Director of Fiscal Student Services, shared the report titled "SELPA Annual Treasurer's Report for 2020-21 and Proposed One-Time Distribution of Fund Balances for 2021-22". The treasurer's report is designed to ensure that we do not build too much of a reserve in the SELPA. This report was presented to the SELPA Executive Committee on January 10, 2022. Balances that exceed the established threshold will be allocated to member LEAs on a per-ADA basis. Eddie recommended to give this out by prior year P-2 ADA. There was also a consideration to allocate a portion of the balance toward the purchase and installation of additional portable buildings for the County Operated Program for Special Education. The report was presented as information only and will be brought forth as an action item at the next SGC meeting.

E. *Claims for 2020-21, Update

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Claims for 2020-21, Update". The legal cost claims and nonpublic school (NPS) funds were approved by the SELPA Executive Committee on January 10, 2022.

F. *AB 130 Expenditure Report 1, Update

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "AB 130 Expenditure Report 1, Update" informing members of categorical funding for dispute prevention and learning recovery. This is the first of seven reports. Any remaining balances should be reviewed to see how they can be spent in accordance to the LEA's plan that was submitted to the SELPA.

G. *Funding Allocation Update for 2021-22 Quarter 2

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Funding Allocation Update for 2021-22 Quarter 2". This information was provided to fiscal contacts at districts.

H. *Funding Allocations for IDEA for 2021-22, Update

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Funding Allocations for IDEA for 2021-22, Update". The federal grant award has been received. This information has been provided to fiscal contacts at districts.

I. *Funding Proposal for ARP for 2021-22

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the handout titled "Funding Proposal for ARP for 2021-22" informing members that these are additional, one-time, Federal funds. Eddie also shared that CDE's Special Education Division is expected to provide guidance that these funds should be used in the same manner as the Federal IDEA funds. .

J. *Transportation Billback Update for 2021-22 Quarter 2

E. Davidson

Trina informed members that First Student is having difficulty hiring drivers and have built in Cost-of-Living Adjustments (COLA). They presented a proposal to increase costs to which we have countered back with half of what they are asking for. We have also met with Fresno Unified School District as they contract with First Student as well. First Student is looking to

increase the number of hours and increase hourly rates for drivers. There is a concern that they will come in high and potentially take drivers from districts. We are currently down five routes and have had to double-up which increases the ride time for our students. There are four more years in the current agreement we have in place.

K. Annual Budget and Service Plans for 2022-23, Notice

E. Davidson

Eddie shared that the SELPA will begin the process to develop the annual budget and services plans for the membership. Once developed, the information will be brought back to SGC as information and then action.

VIII. Future Agenda Items/Updates

J. Yovino

None.

IX. Next SGC Meeting is March 24, 2022, Room 101T

J. Yovino

X. Adjournment

J. Yovino

The meeting was adjourned at 9:11 a.m.

S. Rosa / J. Moore