

FRESNO COUNTY SELPA SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

Trina Frazier, Assistant Superintendent

Superintendents' Governance Council November 21, 2024 ♦ 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m., Room 201 Minutes

PLEASE NOTE: For public access instructions and opportunities for public comments, please contact <u>tfrazier@fcoe.org</u> or (559) 265-3049 5:00 p.m. on November 20, 2024. Trina Frazier will respond with further instructions.

I. Call to Order

M. Copher

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. *Adoption of Agenda

Dr. Brian Clark / Dr. Lori Grace

III. *Approval of Minutes from October 31, 2024 (pgs. 3-5)

M. Copher

Randy Morris / Lupe Nieves

IV. Community Input

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

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T. Frazier

A. None

VII. Information and Reports

A. Administrator's Report – Highlights of Current Information

T. Frazier

Trina Frazier, SELPA Administrator, shared information regarding the percentage of federal funds which are to total less PCRA which is 15.8% for our SELPA based on MOE information. The state average is 11.9% per School Services of California (SSC). Trina shared the key calendar dates for the new legislative cycle noting that the last day to introduce bills for legislation is February 16, 2025. Trina informed members that most new bills will go into effect January 1, 2025, except for SB445 regarding IEP Translations which will go into effect by January 1, 2027. Trina shared that First Student is down two drivers due to a vacancy and a leave of absence. We will be going out to bid on our own and not with Fresno Unified. The bid documents are ready for review and will be published in January 2025 to give bidders a full year to prepare. Trina updated members on the TIES Ad Hoc. The first meeting will take place on December 11, 2024.

B. *FCSS Operated Programs Class Size Capacity (pgs. 6-7)

T. Frazier

Trina shared the class size capacity numbers for county-operated as of November 1, 2024. Our TIES and CIRCLE programs currently have the most pending referrals. We are working with a district who may have some classroom space to offer us.

C. *Percentage of Students Served in County Programs by DOR (pg. 8)

T. Frazier

Trina shared the percentage of students served in county-operated programs as of November 1, 2024. These numbers show districts how much they make up of the SELPA.

D. *Review Reimbursement Claims for 2023-24 (pg. 9)

E. Davidson

Eddie reviewed the reimbursement claims for 2023-24 which total \$150,000. These claims have been vetted by the SELPA to ensure that requirements in the funding allocation plan have been met. These claims will be presented to the Executive Committee in January 2025.

E. *Federal IDEA Expenditure Report 4 for the 2023-24 Grant Award (pgs. 10-11) E. Davidson Eddie shared information regarding report 4 of the Federal IDEA Expenditure Report. There is a remaining balance of about \$400,000. The private school placement dollars are the most difficult for members to fully expend.

F. *Excess Cost Calculations for 2023-24 (pg. 12)

E. Davidson

Eddie shared that the excess cost calculations for 2023-24 have been completed. The calculations are prescribed by CDE based on the FTE of students in special education. All members have met.

G. *Maintenance-of-Effort Update for SEMA for 2023-24 & SEMB for 2024-25 (pg. 13)

E. Davidson

Eddie informed members that they have all met the compliance test for MOE for SEMA 2023-24. If members are not projected to meet for 2024-25, Eddie shared that there is still time to make budget adjustments.

H. *SELPA 3-Year MOE Contribution Report (pg. 14)

E. Davidson

Eddie shared the SELPA 3-Year MOE Contribution Report. This shows how much members are spending plus the PCRA. The contribution amount is divided by the total to determine the percentage. The average for the SELPA is 33.6% this year.

I. *Maintenance-of-Effort Exemption Review (pg. 15)

E. Davidson

Eddie reviewed the MOE exemption which has been sent to district fiscal and program contacts. Eddie shared possible programmatic special education data that may help to determine an exemption reduction for members.

VIII. Future Agenda Items/Updates

M. Copher

None.

IX. Next SGC Meeting is February 27, 2025, at 8:30 a.m., Room 201

M. Copher

X. Adjournment

M. Copher

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 a.m. Orin Hirschkorn / Dr. Lori Grace