

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SELPA VII January 19, 2022

Zoom Video/Phone Conference

MEMBERS PRESENT:

x SCUSD Kathy Alaniz for Stella Kemp

x SELPA AU Leo Mapagu

x SCCOE Mary Ann Dewan

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Santiago (SELPA), Marjorie Paeste (SELPA)

TIME CONVENED: 11:10 a.m. TIME ADJOURNED: 11:32 a.m. RECORDER: Marjorie Paeste

I. PUBLIC SESSION

A. Roll Call and Welcome of Guests

Director Kathy Alaniz called the meeting to order at 11:10 a.m. Roll was taken by SELPA Director Leo Mapagu.

B. Hearing of persons wishing to address the Council

There was no one wishing to address the Council.

II. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Affirm that conditions described in AB-361 continue to apply and adopt resolution of findings of AB-361 for the Santa Clara SELPA VII Executive Council

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan moved to approve the affirmation and adoption of the resolution of findings of AB-361 for the Santa Clara SELPA VII Executive Council, to include additional dates (November 2, 2021, December 1, 2021, and January 1, 2022) when the County Superintendent of Schools adopted a resolution and reaffirmed the ongoing emergency conditions and the need to use the provisions of AB-361 for meetings of legislative bodies. Director Kathy Alaniz seconded and the motion carried, 2-0.

B. Setting the Agenda

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan moved to approve the agenda as presented. Director Kathy Alaniz seconded and the motion carried, 2-0.

C. Approval of Minutes from the August 25, 2021 special meeting

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan moved to approve the minutes from the August 25, 2021 special meeting. Director Kathy Alaniz seconded and the motion carried, 2-0.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Special Ed Learning Recovery Support (LRS) Funds Allocation

Director Leo Mapagu reported that one-time special education Learning Recovery Support funds of \$1.29M have been appropriated from the State to SELPA VII. The amount was based on CALPADS unduplicated 2019-20 or 2020-21 count (whichever was higher). This funding shall be expended by SELPAs and their member LEAs for the purpose of providing learning recovery support to pupils with disabilities associated with impacts to learning due to the COVID—19 public health emergency. The funds will be housed at the SELPA and LEAs will submit for reimbursement by June 30, 2023. Dr. Mary Ann Dewan moved to approve the Special Ed Learning Recovery Support (LRS) funds allocation to SELPA VII. Director Kathy Alaniz seconded and the motion carried, 2-0.



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B. Dispute Prevention and Dispute Resolution (DPDR) Funds Allocation

Like the LRS funds, one-time Dispute Prevention and Dispute Resolution (DPDR) funds of \$287k have been appropriated from the State to SELPA VII. This funding is to help support member local educational agencies in conducting dispute prevention and voluntary alternative dispute resolution activities to prevent and resolve special education disputes resulting from school disruptions stemming from the COVID–19 pandemic. The funds will be housed at the SELPA and LEAs will submit for reimbursement by June 30, 2023. 20% of these funds is allocated to the SELPA office per the trailer bill and is used to provide ADR services such as IEP facilitation, mediation, and parent ADR trainings. Dr. Mary Ann Dewan moved to approve the Dispute Prevention and Dispute Resolution (DPDR) funds allocation to SELPA VII. Director Kathy Alaniz seconded and the motion carried, 2-0.

IV. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. SELPA Executive Director Updates

- 1) Return of SpEd Excess and Low Incidence Revenues \$299k has been returned to Santa Clara Unified school district in SCCOE Special Ed excess revenue, per the Budget Allocation Plan. Prior year low incidence funds of \$153k have been returned to the district as well.
- **2) Distribution of 2020-21 Interest Earned on SELPA Pass-through** \$3k in interest earned on pass-through funds has been returned to the district.
- **3)** One-time American Rescue Plan funds for IDEA Part B one-time federal funds for LEAs that receive regular Part B funds; waiting for final grant award notifications from CDE.
- 4) Governor's January Special Ed Budget Proposal 2022-23
 - COLA is at 5.33%
 - additional \$500M increase to base funding that will result in an estimated \$820 per ADA. This will impact the SELPA Base Rate MOU, which could be eliminated by the end of this year.
 - Special ed base funding allocations proposed to be calculated at the LEA level vs. SELPA level
 - ERMH funds allocated directly to LEAs (whether to district of residence or district of location is to be determined by CDE)
 - Incorporate a Special Education Addendum to the LCAP
- **5) CDE Monitoring Activities** the 2020-21 Disproportionality file review has been completed by CDE over the summer. For SigDis, CDE is yet to provide their approval of the CCEIS plans.
- **6) SELPA Activities** update was provided on CALPADS/data activities, fiscal submissions/reports, and professional development offerings.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Mary Ann Dewan moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:32 a.m. Director Kathy Alaniz seconded and the motion carried, 2-0.