

# EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

# SELPA II

# January 21, 2022

## Zoom Video/Phone Conference

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

- x CUSD Stacy Yao
- x FUHSD Polly Bové
- x SESD Michael Gallagher

-SCCOEMary Ann DewanxSELPA AULeo Mapagu

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Linda Van Mouwerik (SESD), Nancy Sullivan (FUHSD), Karen Santiago (SELPA), Marjorie Paeste (SELPA)

TIME CONVENED:11:06 a.m.TIME ADJOURNED:11:41 a.m.RECORDER:Marjorie Paeste

## I. PUBLIC SESSION

- A. Roll Call and Welcome of Guests Supt. Polly Bové called the meeting to order at 11:06 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 II Executive Council

Dr. Michael Gallagher moved to approve the affirmation and adoption of the resolution of findings of AB-361 for the Santa Clara SELPA II 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. Supt. Stacy Yao seconded and the motion carried, 3-0.

## B. Setting the Agenda

Supt. Stacy Yao moved to approve the agenda as presented. Dr. Michael Gallagher seconded and the motion carried, 3-0.

## C. Approval of Minutes from the August 27, 2021 special meeting

Dr. Michael Gallagher moved to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2021 special meeting. Supt. Stacy Yao seconded and the motion carried, 3-0.

#### 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 \$1.7M have been appropriated from the State to SELPA II. 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. Supt. Polly Bové



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moved to approve the Special Ed Learning Recovery Support (LRS) funds allocation to SELPA II. Supt. Stacy Yao seconded and the motion carried, 3-0.

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

Like the LRS funds, one-time Dispute Prevention and Dispute Resolution (DPDR) funds of \$385k have been appropriated from the State to SELPA II. 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. Michael Gallagher moved to approve the Dispute Prevention and Dispute Resolution (DPDR) funds allocation to SELPA II. Supt. Stacy Yao seconded and the motion carried, 3-0.

#### IV. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

## A. SELPA II Occupational Therapy Program Planning

The Occupational Therapy (OT) program in SELPA II was discussed as part of the regional cost share. Sunnyvale SD is currently overseeing the OT program and it has been noted that the time and cost associated with running the program has increased dramatically over the years. It has been observed that hiring and managing contracted and district OT employees is taking up Sunnyvale SD's resources. In addition, there are also differing philosophies and practices in providing OT services to elementary, middle school, and high school students. A 2-year transition plan vs. staff lay-off was discussed by Director Linda Van Mouwerik. It was suggested that a meeting with OT staff be held in February to share details of the plan. The final plan will be brought to the SELPA II Executive Council in April for approval.

## **B. SELPA Executive Director Updates**

- Return of SpEd Excess and Low Incidence Revenues \$335k in SCCOE Special Ed excess revenue has been returned to member LEAs in SELPA II per the Budget Allocation Plan.
  Prior year low incidence funds of \$223k have been returned to the member LEAs as well.
- **2)** Distribution of 2020-21 Interest Earned on SELPA Pass-through \$7k 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



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- **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. Michael Gallagher moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:41 a.m. Supt. Stacy Yao seconded and the motion carried, 3-0.