

**TEHAMA COUNTY SELPA
SELPA GOVERNANCE COUNCIL**

Tehama County Department of Education, Board Room
1135 Lincoln Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080

**Thursday, August 16, 2018
10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

Meeting Minutes

PRESENT: Richard DuVarney, Jim Weber, Rich Fitzpatrick, Jared Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Jerry Walker, Clifford Curry, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase, Jeff Scheele, Veronica Coates

ABESENT: Marla Katzler, Joey Adame, Dane Hansen

GUESTS: Karin Matray, Michelle Kinner, Suzanne Adkins, Josh McAuliffe, Lillian Smith, Jackie Douglas and Carli Forsythe

1. Call to Order

SELPA Governance Chair, Richard DuVarney called the meeting to order at 11:06 a.m.

2. Consent Agenda

This section is generally approved collectively; however, any item in this section may be considered individually upon request. All items in this section request council approval.

2.1. Adoption of Agenda

2.2. Approval of May 22, 2018 minutes

Lane Bates motioned to adopt the Agenda and approve the May 22, 2018 meeting minutes. Clifford Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote in favor: Richard DuVarney, Jim Weber, Rich Fitzpatrick, Jared Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Jerry Walker, Clifford Curry, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase, Jeff Scheele

0 opposed; 0 abstained

3. Public Input

There was no public input.

4. Licensed Children's Institute (LCI) Funds

Red Bluff Joint Union High School District submitted a request for LCI funds and the Fiscal Appropriations Committee recommends approval.

Jared Caylor motioned to approve the Red Bluff Joint Union High School District's request for LCI funds for an NPS placement. Jenny Montoya seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote in favor: Richard DuVarney, Jim Weber, Rich Fitzpatrick, Jared Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Jerry Walker, Clifford Curry, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase, Jeff Scheele

0 opposed; 0 abstained

5. Licensed Children's Institute (LCI) Bed Count Funds SELPA Administrative Regulation – 7 Revision Draft

Veronica reviewed changes made to the SELPA Administrative Regulation 7 (SAR 7). Major revisions included how the funds will be prioritized as well as the requirement to apply for funds, annually.

Brad Mendenhall motioned to approve the revisions to the SELPA Administrative Regulation 7 (SAR 7). Todd Brose seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote in favor: Richard DuVarney, Jim Weber, Rich Fitzpatrick, Jared Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Jerry Walker, Clifford Curry, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase, Jeff Scheele

0 opposed; 0 abstained

6. Priorities Requests

No Priorities Requests

7. Non Public School/Agency: Independent Educational Programs Presentation

Josh McAuliffe and Lillian Smith reviewed the IEP School Program and updated the Committee on the Red Bluff IEP School site. Josh also presented on a data collection database tool that districts/LEAs could purchase. Josh reiterated that their agency is here to support the districts/LEAs of Tehama County.

8. Dispute Trends

Veronica discussed recent dispute trends in our SELPA. There is a rise in disputes involving attorneys that are going forth with litigation. Dispute trends include cases that involve dyslexia and also assistive technology. Districts experiencing disputes

offered insight on how they are addressing the increased disputes. All districts are engaging in Alternative Dispute Resolution techniques and actively working with the SELPA.

9. Independent Education Evaluation SELPA Agreement 34 and IEE Procedure/ LEA Responsibilities Review

Veronica reviewed the IEE SELPA Agreement 34 and IEE procedures with the Committee due to an increase in IEE requests. Veronica indicated that additional documentation in the procedure may be necessary after offering/agreeing to an IEE, and provided a draft example from the Ventura County SELPA. Districts were in agreement to revise this procedure.

10. Trailer Bill

Veronica reviewed the final trailer bill language with the Committee. Statewide systems of support applications for SELPA regional leads was also discussed as was SELPA and LCAP. Veronica reiterated that our current system of the SELPA working with districts and LEAs, as well as the county office staff involved in Differentiated Assistance and LCAP, will continue. The SELPA Regional leads will be building capacity with all districts and LEAs.

11. SELPA Director's Report

Veronica provided a summary of SELPA statewide fiscal, programmatic and compliance changes that are forthcoming. A SELPA funding loss analysis, due to the proration factor, was distributed to the Committee and reviewed. Statewide there is a decline due to ADA declining and the proration factor (deficit), combined with more students being found eligible for special education. Even with yearly COLA applied, our SELPA continues to experience overall loss due to the proration factor.

There was discussion about the recent CARR fire in Redding and the impacts that has had on our region as families and students have been in transition.

Veronica provided an outline of professional development needs and plans. The focus and goals will be to provide training for IEP development and best practices, Alternative Dispute Resolution and Special Education and SEIS Institute.

12. District Reports

There were no district reports.

13. Adjournment

Rich DuVarney adjourned the meeting at 11:59 a.m.