



**SUPERINTENDENTS' REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

November 18, 2021

Zoom Video/Phone Conference

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SELPA I – Jeff Baier | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SELPA IV – Stephen McMahon for Nancy Albarrán |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SELPA II – Polly Bové | <input type="checkbox"/> SELPA VII – Stella Kemp |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SELPA III – Robert Bravo | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SCCOE – Mary Ann Dewan |

OTHERS PRESENT: Leo Mapagu (SELPA), Marjorie Paeste (SELPA)

TIME CONVENED: 9:00 a.m. **TIME ADJOURNED:** 9:27 a.m. **RECORDER:** Marjorie Paeste

I. PUBLIC SESSION

A. Roll Call and Welcome Guests

The meeting was called to order by Supt. Polly Bové at 9:00 a.m. Roll was taken by SELPA Exec Director, Mr. Leo Mapagu.

B. Hearing of persons wishing to address the Council

There was no one wishing to address the Council on any issues.

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 Superintendents Rep Council

Dr. Robert Bravo moved to approve the affirmation and adoption of the resolution of findings of AB-361 for the Santa Clara SELPA Superintendents Rep Council. Supt. Jeff Baier seconded and the motion carried, 5-0.

B. Setting the Agenda

Dr. Robert Bravo moved to approve the agenda as presented. Supt. Jeff Baier seconded and the motion carried, 5-0.

C. Approval of Minutes from the September 15, 2021 meeting

Dr. Robert Bravo moved to approve the minutes from the September 15, 2021 meeting. Supt. Jeff Baier seconded and the motion carried, 5-0.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approval of SELPA Executive Director’s Contract Renewal

Dr. Robert Bravo moved to approve the SELPA Executive Director’s contract renewal for the 2021-2022 school year. Supt. Jeff Baier seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

IV. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Director Leo Mapagu provided the following information:

- Learning Recovery Support (LRS) Grant – SELPA has submitted 5 grant applications, and letters of acceptance from CDE have already been received. A total of \$9.4M has been awarded. This funding is to provide learning recovery support to pupils with disabilities associated with impacts to learning due to



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school disruptions stemming for the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds are kept at the SELPA-level and LEAs request for reimbursement.

- Dispute Prevention and Dispute Resolution (DPDR) Grant – SELPA has also submitted 5 grant applications (total of \$2M in funding); the letter of acceptance from CDE is yet to be received. This funding is to help support member LEAs 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. If awarded, 80% will be allocated to LEAs and 20% will be allocated to the SELPA. Possible use is to fund staffing for an ADR coordinator to assist with ADR-related activities. Director Mapagu will re-send this proposal to council members for their review.
- Special Education Studies and Workgroups:
 - o WestEd's SpEd Funding System Study: some concerns were expressed by members of the Coalition for Adequate Funding for Special Education (CAFSE) regarding the proposed funding model. A simulation using 2020-21 pupil count and disability information was created and it showed that the proposed model does not increase funding or consider adequacy, and that it only reallocates existing revenues between SELPAs. Also, Extraordinary Cost Pool allowance requires significant documentation to receive funds already received from AB-602. Dr. Mary Ann Dewan shared that it is possible that the intent of this proposed funding model is to drive more funding to LEAs.
 - o IEP Workgroups: there is a big potential for change in IEP forms and it will require significant training of staff/teachers. The change still needs to be finalized and presented to legislature as some mandates are above IDEA/what federal law requires. Currently, there is no statewide IEP template.
- Collaborative Meetings: the individual SELPA operations meetings have been combined into one Collaborative Meeting attended by special education directors, managers, coordinators, program specialists, and CAC representatives. This format allows better exchange of information at a county-level for member LEAs within Santa Clara SELPAs I, II, III, IV, & VII.
- SELPA Activities:
 - o Data: fall data has been finalized; data tracking and monitoring is ongoing to determine how data affects the different indicators.
 - o Fiscal: submissions to CDE have been made on the MOU reports, NPS Extraordinary Cost Pool, Federal IDEA expenditure reports, Special Ed Table 8 and Excess Cost reports.
 - o Professional Development: the SELPA has held 9 training events so far, which includes an ADR conference and legal panel forum, with a total of 584 registrants (combined parents & district staff). Information on upcoming ADR training events was also shared.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Robert Bravo moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:27 a.m. Dr. Mary Ann Dewan seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.