



Monterey County Special Education Local Plan Area

Regional Collaboration for Student Success

SELPA Community Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2017, from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

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MEMBER

- Mary Peitso
- Bianca Guerrero
- Chivonne Wilde
- Kacey Rodenbush
- Phrani Diksa
- Adriana Melgoza
- Carol Murray
- Carol Silveira
- JD Black (Vice-Chair)
- Kim Pierce
- Andria Brinson
- Lori McDonnal
- Val Wiltse (Secretary)
- Kenyon Hopkins

ROLE

- Special Education Parent
- Special Education Parent
- Special Educator
- Community Agency Representative
- Special Education Representative
- General Education Parent
- Special Education Parent
- Special Education Grandparent
- Special Education Parent
- Community Agency Representative
- Community Agency Representative
- Community Agency Representative
- Program Specialist
- Ex-Officio

LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY

- Carmel Unified School District
- King City Union School District
- Lagunita School District
- Monterey County Behavioral Health
- Monterey County Office of Education
- North Monterey County Unified School District
- North Monterey County Unified School District
- Pacific Grove Unified School District
- Salinas City Elementary School District
- San Andreas Regional Center
- South County Autism Awareness Project
- Special Kids Crusade
- Monterey County SELPA
- Monterey County SELPA

GUESTS

- Anna Kauble

ROLE

- Program Specialist

LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY

- Monterey County SELPA

1. Welcome and Introductions

JD Black called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. and introductions were made.

2. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

JD Black would like to add Safe Haven Schools to the agenda.

3. Action Items

a. Approve Agenda

The agenda was approved as amended. Chivonne Wilde moved to approve the meeting agenda, Kacey Rodenbush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

b. Approve Minutes from Previous Meeting

The meeting minutes from December 7, 2016, were reviewed with no changes. Chivonne Wilde moved to approve the meeting minutes, Anna Kauble seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

4. Reports

a. SELPA

Kenyon Hopkins gave an update on the Public Policy Institute of California (PPIC). Their analysis indicated that special education funding should be put into the Local

Control Funding Formula (LCFF). The report received a lot of feedback from SELPAs, State SELPA Administrators and CDE, and there was a concern that SELPAs would be eliminated. The Advisory Commission on Special Education will hold a meeting on February 22, 2017 in Sacramento for discussion on the PPIC report, and to assist the Governor in looking at the information and making an informed decision to move forward with funding throughout the state. The Legislative Analyst Office also released a report with a section on special education funding, and it was recommended the Legislature take time to explore options such as restructuring while keeping current supports in place. Monterey County SELPA will continue to focus on providing great service, and building their support level.

Kenyon will create a draft letter to send to the Governor, Assembly Members and Senators in support of SELPAs, and JD Black will sign the letters on behalf of CAC.

b. Community Agencies

Kacey Rodenbush, Program Services Manager, Monterey County Behavioral Health (MCBH), is new to the position. She has been working on organizing their staffing structure to maximize resources and support to districts. Kacey has also been working with Kenyon Hopkins on the MCBH-SELPA Interagency Agreement (IA) and Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the upcoming school year. They are serving 340 students through IEP services. They are also partnering with multiple school sites to pilot the Interconnected Systems Framework (ISF) to integrate with their services along with other supports such as the PBIS framework. They are serving 93 schools in 20 school districts.

c. Action Item: Proposed CAC Meeting Dates, Times and Location

JD Black proposed having CAC meetings three times a year instead of quarterly meetings. It was suggested to hold meetings at different zones: Salinas, Valley and Bay; and no meeting on the day of the SELPA Community Resources Fair. It was also suggested to change the start time of the meeting to 6:00 p.m. Chivonne Wilde moved to approve the changes to CAC meeting times and locations, Kacey Rodenbush seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

d. Discussion on Safe Haven Schools

JD Black inquired if federal funding were to be cut off and how much of an impact would it have on special education programs. Kenyon Hopkins stated that the majority of funds comes from the state, and federal funds usually come in arrears. Districts would most likely continue to operate as usual. Kenyon will keep members updated on this topic.

5. Closure

a. Next Meeting Date and Time for 2016-2017

May 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. (Followed by the SELPA Community Resource Fair from 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.)

b. Announcements

Val Wiltse announced the Program Specialists are working on the upcoming SELPA Community Resources Fair and have added several vendors. Members may suggest

additional organizations and agencies which may improve and better services to our students.

c. *Adjournment*

The meeting was adjourned.