

Riverside County Special Education Local Plan Area
Governance Council
MINUTES

Friday, May 22, 2020 - 12:00 p.m.
Via Zoom

Members *Representative

Mr. Scott Bailey	Desert Sands Unified School District
Mr. Elliott Duchon, Zone 4 Representative	Jurupa Unified School District
Dr. Doug Kimberly, Past Chair	Lake Elsinore Unified School District
Mr. Patrick Kelley, Zone 1 Representative	Murrieta Valley Unified School District
Dr. David Pyle,*John Huber	Nuvew Union School District
Dr. Sandra Lyon, Chair & Zone 5 Representative	Palm Springs Unified School District
Ms. Tracie Kern (Interim)	Palo Verde Unified School District
Mr. Grant Bennett	Perris Union High School District
Dr. Robert Hennings	Santa Rosa Academy
Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer, *Debbie Daniel	Springs Charter Schools
Mr. Mike McCormick, Vice Chair	Val Verde Unified School District

Members Absent

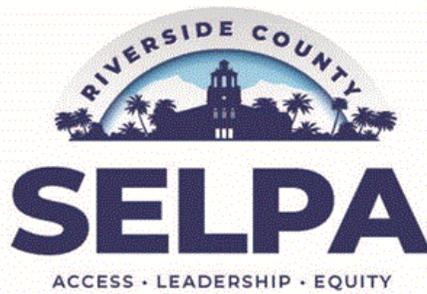
Dr. Allan Mucerino	Alvord Unified School District
Dr. Natasha Baker	Banning Unified School District
Mr. Terrence Davis	Beaumont Unified School District
Dr. Maria Gandera	Coachella Valley Unified School District
Ms. Sue Scott, Zone 6 Representative	Desert Center Unified School District
Dr. Christi Barrett	Hemet Unified School District
Dr. Steve Kennedy	Menifee Union School District
Ms. Jean Marie Frey	Perris Elementary School District
Dr. Judy White, Standing Member	Riverside County Office of Education
Mr. Santos Campos	Riverside County Education Academy
Mr. Trevor Painton	Romoland School District
Dr. Shari Fox (Interim)	San Jacinto Unified School District

Governance Council Liaisons

Mr. Stacy Coleman (Val Verde USD)	SELPA Finance Liaison
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Riverside County SELPA Team Members

Leah Davis, Executive Director
Angie Lopez, Secretary



1. Call to Order

Dr. Sandra Lyon, Governance Council Chair

The Governance Council Meeting was called to order at 12:07 P.M. on Friday, May 22, 2020.

2. Welcome and Introductions

Leah Davis, RC SELPA Executive Director

Public Comments

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code Section 35145.5, any person wishing to speak to any item on the agenda, or any other relevant matter, will be heard at this time. Each person will have a maximum of three (3) minutes to address the Governance Council

Action Items

3. Approve Minutes from February 28, 2020 Governance Council Meeting (Attachment 3)

That the Governance Council approve the minutes from the February 28, 2020 Governance Council Meeting as presented.

It was moved by Elliott Duchon and seconded by Doug Kimberly

Motion carried 11/0/0

4. Approve Minutes from April 24, 2020 Governance Council Meeting (Attachment 4)

That the Governance Council approve the minutes from the April 24, 2020 Governance Council Meeting as presented.

It was moved by Doug Kimberly and seconded by Scott Bailey

Motion carried 11/0/0

PUBLIC COMMENTS/HEARING

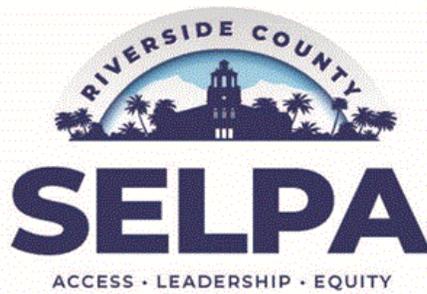
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code Section 35145.5, any person wishing to speak on the SELPA 2020-21 Annual Service Plan will be heard at this time.
OPEN: 12:09 P.M. CLOSE: 12:10 P.M.

5. Approve 2020-21 Riverside County SELPA Annual Service Plan (Attachment 5)

That the Governance Council approve the 2020-21 Riverside County SELPA Annual Service Plan as presented.

It was moved by Elliott Duchon and seconded by Grant Bennett

Motion carried 11/0/0



PUBLIC COMMENTS/HEARING

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.3 and Education Code Section 35145.5, any person wishing to speak on the SELPA 2020-21 Annual Budget Plan will be heard at this time.

OPEN: 12:11 P.M.

CLOSE: 12: 11 P.M.

6. Approve 2020-21 Riverside County SELPA Annual Budget Plan (Attachment 6a and Attachment 6b)

That the Governance Council 2020-21 Riverside County SELPA Annual Budget Plan be approved as presented.

It was moved by Mike McCormick and seconded by Elliott Duchon

Motion carried 11/ 0 / 0

7. Approve Riverside County SELPA 2019-20 Third Interim Budget Report (Attachment 7)

That the Governance Council approve the 2019-20 Riverside County SELPA Third Interim Budget Report with the following expenditures:

i. Pass-through to Districts/County	<u>\$ 209,224,216</u>
ii. District Nonpublic Schools	<u>\$ 2,500,000</u>
iii. Out of Home Care	<u>\$ 7,791,707</u>
iv. SELPA Admin – Reg Services	<u>\$ 3,448,078</u>
v. SELPA Admin – Lead Grant	<u>\$ 2,718,087</u>

It was moved by Elliott Duchon and seconded by Grant Bennett

Motion carried 11/ 0 / 0

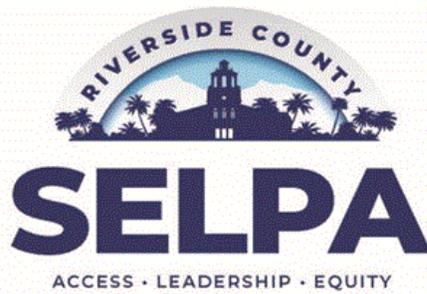
8. Approve Riverside County SELPA 2020-21 Preliminary Budget Report (Attachment 8)

That the Governance Council approve the 2020-21 Riverside County SELPA preliminary budget report with the following projected expenditures:

i. Pass-through to Districts/County	<u>\$ 209,383,644</u>
ii. District Nonpublic Schools	<u>\$ 2,500,000</u>
iii. Out of Home Care	<u>\$ 8,143,036</u>
iv. SELPA Admin – Reg Services	<u>\$ 3,568,668</u>
v. SELPA Admin – Lead Grant	<u>\$ 2,000,000</u>

It was moved by Patrick Kelley and seconded by Tracie Kern

Motion carried 11/ 0 / 0



9. Approve Riverside County SELPA 2020-21 Governance Council Meeting Schedule (Attachment 9)

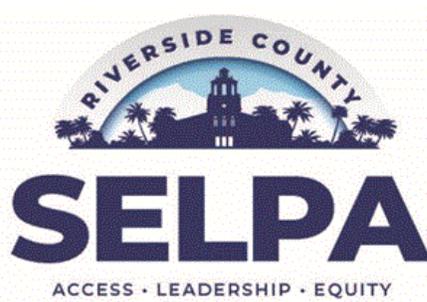
That the 2020-21 Riverside County SELPA Governance Council Steering and General Meeting Schedule be approved as presented

It was moved by Tracie Kern and seconded by Scott Bailey that the motion be approved as amended. Governance Council Steering meeting was changed to December 16, 2020
Motion carried as amended 11/ 0 / 0

10. Approve the 2020-21 Slate of Riverside County SELPA Governance Council Steering Committee Members

That the following 2020-21 slate of Riverside County SELPA Governance Council Steering Committee Members be approved as presented

Position	Name	District
Chair	Mr. Michael McCormick	Val Verde USD
Vice Chair	Dr. David Pyle	San Jacinto USD
Past Chair	Dr. Sandra Lyon	Palm Springs USD
Secretary	Ms. Leah Davis	Riverside County SELPA
Standing Member	Dr. Judy White	Riverside COE
SELPA Finance Liaison	Mr. Stacy Coleman	Val Verde USD
Coordinating Council Liaison	Mr. Jeff Janis	Val Verde USD
Zone One	Mr. Patrick Kelley	Murrieta Valley USD
Zone Two	Dr. David Pyle	San Jacinto USD
Zone Three	Mr. Grant Bennett	Perris Union HSD



Zone Four	Mr. Elliott Duchon	Jurupa USD
Zone Five	Dr. Sandra Lyon	Palm Springs USD
Zone Six	Ms. Sue Scott	Desert Center USD

It was moved by Doug Kimberly and seconded by Scott Bailey

Motion carried 11/0/0

Discussion and Information Items

12. Special Education Accountability and Compliance Monitoring

a. Timeline Adjustment

We have been working closely as a statewide association on behalf of RC SELPA with CDE to get some movement around some of the compliance monitoring activities, timelines and requirements. Received confirmation from CDE that the Targeted and Intensive monitoring requirements (Special Education Plan) timeline has been moved to December 15, 2020. The original due date was in September. The RC SELPA Executive Director has had conversations with Directors encouraging them to hold virtual stakeholders meetings and including activities to target needs. Compliance monitoring activities that have not been extended are Disproportionality and Significant Disproportionality (federal requirements). Those districts identified are required to engage in required activities and submit in a timely manner.

SPP Tap has asked RC SELPA’s accountant to participate in a panel specific to the fiscal component.

b. Data Governance and Use

RC SELPA is asking for support to ensure CALPADS folks have the necessary resources, permission to continue to do data monitoring. To ensure timely CALPADS end of year reporting. Current submission is due in June. Identify different “essential workers”, to ensure components that need to move forward.

13. Coalition for Adequate funding for Special Education and State SELPA

Highlights

Two letters went out, that will be forwarded in an email to Superintendents. One letter has been sent to the senate budget subcommittee. It calls out quite a few things that they don’t agree with in the Governor’s budget. Also calls out a desire to reject the governor’s statewide target rate, moving from 558 to 645, a significant increase. Asking that the pot of dollars be disseminated to districts based on pupil count for students with moderate to severe disabilities.

The second letter was sent out from the Education Coalition, that letter supports many components of the governor’s budget. Will monitor that piece very close.



RC SELPA's Executive Director had the opportunity to watch the assembly budget subcommittee for education, and have a conversation with Jose Medina's office prior to. Assembly-member Medina shared he was concerned about the 3 year rolling average for the ADA, than the current funding model.

14. Riverside County SELPA Personnel Updates

RC SELPA currently has two vacancies, one is a grant funded data position. The intention is to fund Corey, and another data position as part time out of the grant and the other half funded as regionalized services. Corey has notified us she will be retiring in the next couple of years. Gives RC SELPA the opportunity to have someone in place, to take over her position. The position has not flown, will follow up when we return. The other vacancy is a Secretary II position, and has not been a challenge that we are currently working from home. The Executive Director is committed to holding on to the hiring of that position, and would like to hold on that position due to possible fiscal cuts. Trying to be proactive in looking ahead, to avoid any potential cuts.

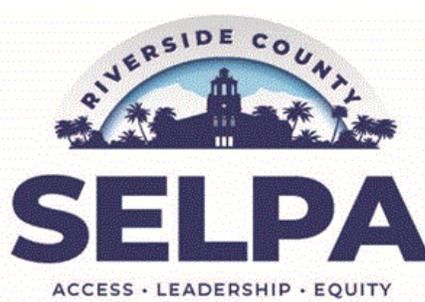
15. 2020-2021 School Year - Moving Forward

It was said on the Superintendent call, that we are now running from a defensive reactionary mode to an offense mode. Val Verde has invited the RC SELPA team to participate in the reopening of school's taskforce. The Executive Director has asked the leadership team as well as the support staff, to identify what they may need to fully function in a different world (hybrid model of fully functioning from home). There have been a few essential fiscal folks who have went into the office. In the early phase of looking into what this would look like.

16. SELPA Systems Improvement Lead Updates

We are preparing for the 2020-21 school year to roll out continuous improvement science training, higher level practices, and evidence practices, data governance and use, and had to reevaluate. Currently shifting all Systems Improvement Lead opportunities to be virtual. Don't know what travel will look like, also believe that sub coverage will be minimal. Also tapped by CDE and CCEE to lean into the COVID response. Had the opportunity to host Coffee Talks weekly with SELPA Administrators. Each week they identify a specific topic and rather than providing them with content and best practices, we provide a facilitated conversation, and lean on expertise on all of those SELPA Administrators. It has been very successful.

Building out some modules specific to educators and parents in levels of high level practices. There has been a lot done on distance learning. Some calls and concerns from parents on setting up ongoing continuous and consistent collaboration models. Two separate modules, one specifically for educators and another specifically for parents. Another component is a checklist for guiding questions as we move forward to some of the taskforce to reopening, specific to Special Education. Marin County hosted a webinar, regarding the opening up of classrooms for students with moderate disabilities. They appear to have done work around topics of concern in reopening. The 30 minute webinar was specific to PPE, or EPE's. Built out a list that is a toolkit, and created a calculator of sorts. Basically plug into the spreadsheet what you need by how many classrooms and it tells you what you need to order and calculates the total



cost. Next week's webinar is toward small cohort classes. Links will be sent out to the Governance Council, as well as our Directors.

17. Governance Council Chair Comments

Chair appreciates SELPA staff to be forward thinking and making some shifts in this distance environment. Val Verde USD Superintendent let the Governance Council know there will be a call from Tony Thurmand on the reopening of schools taskforce. It is anticipated he will release guidance on school reopening at some point next week.

18. Adjournment

*It was moved by Elliott Duchon and seconded by Mike McCormick .
The Governance Council Meeting was adjourned at 12:54 P.M. on Friday, May 22, 2020.*