



Riverside County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA)

Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, January 16, 2019 – 5:30 PM

Goals: The broad goals of the CAC are to involve interested parents, students, teachers, and education specialists in advising the County and District Boards of Education and their administrative and professional staff of the unique requirements of students with disabilities, to assist the administration in furthering and improving the functioning of the Special Education Local Plan Area, and to ensure families have meaningful opportunities to participate in the education of their children.

I. **Welcome & Introductions:** Jennafer Griswold, CAC President

The SELPA Community Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 5:40 PM on Wednesday, January 16, 2019, by Jennifer Griswold, CAC President

Presentation: Inland Regional Center

By Jonathan Eckrich, Program Manager Training & Development

Members Present:

Barker, Sonia, Murrieta Valley USD
Buckley, Christina, Menifee Union SD
Corbalán, Stella, Val Verde USD
Griswold, Jennafer, Perris Union HSD
Iqueda, Vicky, Menifee Union SD
Lee, Cynthia, San Jacinto USD
Masters, Cathie, Nuvview SD

Nerren, Jess, Alvord USD
Reed, Mariela, Santa Rosa Academy
Reynolds, Bridgette, Hemet USD
Scott, Leticia, Perris Elementary SD
Solek, Denise, Lake Elsinore USD
Sorter, Barbara, RCOE
Stein, Phil, Desert Sands USD

Members Excused:

Enriquez, Kristin, RCOE

Anna Cruz, Hemet USD

Members Absent:

Aguilar, Sara, Jurupa USD
Barris, Cindy, Perris Union HSD
Delgado, Amanda, Romoland SD
Duron, Karin, Lake Elsinore USD
Flores, Christian, Jurupa USD
Flores, Christina, Val Verde USD
Flores, Maria, San Jacinto USD
Garcia, Cecila, Coachella Valley USD
Hernandez, Elena, Coachella Valley USD
Morales, Christina, Beaumont USD
Rains, Lisa, Lake Elsinore USD

Rodriguez, Janet, Coachella Valley USD
Ruiz, Ana, Val Verde USD
Snyder, Brooke, Romoland SD
Sundahl, Jamie, Lake Elsinore USD
Torres, Maria, Val Verde USD
Valencia, Laura, Murrieta Valley USD
Vogel, Maria, San Jacinto USD
Wheeler, Kelly, Santa Rosa Academy
Williamson, Don, Perris Union HSD

Perris Guests:

Tasha Rincon
Osvlado Castelen
Maritza Rojas

Alfredo Agüero
Lisa Hall, Menifee Union SD
Mario Fuentes

Palm Springs Guests:

Elvira Velasquez
Miriam Gonzalez

Liliana Ramirez
Savana Abraham

Palo Verde Guests:

L. Shaffer
V. Fisher
Guillermina Cruz

Jose Garcia
Javier Garcia

SELPA STAFF:

Hartin, Delores
Kaukani, Kellie
Khourny, Yazan

Lopez, Angie
Smith, Christa
Stevens, Jeremy

II. Community Events: This time is set aside for those in attendance to share upcoming events relevant to the Community Advisory Committee. Those wishing to speak will be given three (3) minutes to speak. If you would like to speak regarding upcoming community events, please complete the “Community Events” request form and provide it to the CAC Secretary.

- Cynthia Lee shared the CAL-TRASH.org conference in San Diego (Inclusion).
- Alfredo Agüero shared the TASK Advocacy Conference; also shared TIGER program – every 2nd Saturday of the month from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
- Jess Nerren shared that she will be on CalABA panel on effective communication between parents, educators and providers, in February in Long Beach.
- Kristin Enriquez shared the Club 21 – Tools for the Journey Conference on February 1-2, 2019.

Action Items:

1. Approve Minutes from November 14, 2018, Community Advisory Committee

It was moved by Denise Solek and seconded by Barbara Sorter that the minutes from the November 14, 2018 CAC Meeting be approved.

Motion **carried**

2. Alfredo Agüero was appointed as a CAC non-voting delegate from Val Verde by Jennafer Griswold.

3. Election of Vicky Iqueda to Vice President:

It was moved by Jess Block-Nerren and seconded by Denise Solek Vicky Iqueda be appointed as Vice President be approved.

Motion **carried**

Discussion Items:

1. Membership Reports:

- Jennafer Griswold shared highlights from the member reports submitted and commented that the turnout was great.

2. Old Business: none reported

3. New Business:

- Brooke Snyder, Member at Large, resigned from her position.
- CAC Logo – Kellie Kaukani reported the logo should be ready for approval, soon.

4. SELPA Reports:

- Superintendents have received the Annual Determination Notices from the California Department of Education. The purpose of the Annual Determination Notice is to communicate to the LEA the compliance monitoring activities that the LEA will be required to participate in during the current year. The SELPA Leadership team is preparing to support our LEAs in these activities, specifically the Performance Indicator Review. Additionally, we are collaborating with Riverside County Office of Education to support those LEAs that have been identified as eligible for differentiated assistance based on the LEAs California Dashboard data for Students with Disabilities
- Riverside County SELPA, in partnership with El Dorado County SELPA (N. Cal) and West San Gabriel Valley SELPA (Greater LA Area), has been named the Statewide SELPA System Lead for the State of California. The role of the SELPA System Lead partners will be to work directly with the California Department of Education and the California Collaborative for Educational Excellence to empower SELPAs and LEAs to improve outcomes for students with disabilities. The SELPA System Leads will be working specifically to build capacity among SELPAs and County Offices to bring common language to all aspects of education, break down silos, and move toward "ONE SYSTEM". Our driving values at this time are that all students are general education students first, that each student deserves a special education, and that focus on data and continuous improvement are critical to improved outcomes.
- We have a new Governor ... Governor Newsom released his proposed budget this week and there are a few highlights specific to special education. The proposed budget includes \$576 million to special education, \$1.86 million of one time funds, to support expanded special education services and school readiness supports at local educational agencies with high percentages of both students with disabilities and unduplicated students who are low-income, youth in foster care, and English language learners. The focus of the new administration includes: 1) Coordination between general education and special education programs, 2) transparency around local planning for regional special education services, and 3) transitions between regional centers and local educational agencies for three-year-old children with exceptional needs
- SELPA Team Updates – Amil Alzubaidi, ERMHS Coordinator, was recently named Director of Special Education for Perris Union High School District. RC SELPA will be recruiting to fill the position of ERMHS Coordinator.

5. CAC Executive Board Comments

- Stella Corbalán was appointed to the newly formed Cultural Awareness Committee.
- CAC Committee Updates
 - Bylaws – Phil, Vicky, Jeanne – pending dates to meet
 - Membership – Brooke – did great work in this area
 - Newsletter/Logo – Denise
 - Legislative – Jess – Date is scheduled for May 1, 2019 and looking for families interested in attending and learning this position
 - Recognition – Vicky, Barbara – Barbara reported on the theme and plans for this year's recognition event as well as ideas she and Vicky have discussed.

- Election – Phil, Vicky, Jeanne
- Inclusion – Kristin – date of the first Inclusion Committee Meeting is scheduled for February 22nd from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

III. Public Forum: This time is set aside for those in attendance to share ideas, concerns, or issues relevant to the Community Advisory Committee that are not addressed on the agenda. Those wishing to speak will be given three (3) minutes to speak. If you would like to speak, please complete the “Public Comment” request card and provide it to the CAC Secretary.

- Jennafer stated there is a person recommended for a CAC non-voting delegate, Jackie Trirado. No additional information provided.

IV. Adjournment:

It was moved by Jess and seconded by Stella that the Riverside County SELPA CAC meeting be adjourned at 7:50 p.m. on Wednesday, January 16, 2019.

Motion **carried**