



Riverside County Special Education Local Plan Area
SPECIAL Governance Council Meeting
MINUTES

Friday, April 24, 2020- 12:00 p.m.
Via Zoom

Members *Representative

Mr. Terrence Davis	Beaumont Unified School District
Dr. Maria Gandra	Coachella Valley Unified School District
Ms. Sue Scott, Zone 6 Representative	Desert Center Unified School District
Mr. Scott Bailey	Desert Sands Unified School District
Dr. Christi Barrett	Hemet Unified School District
Mr. Elliott Duchon, Zone 4 Representative	Jurupa Unified School District
Dr. Doug Kimberly, Past Chair	Lake Elsinore Unified School District
Dr. Steve Kennedy	Menifee Union School District
Mr. Patrick Kelley, Zone 1 Representative	Murrieta Valley Unified School District
Dr. David Pyle, Zone 3 Representative	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. Judy White *Reginald Thompkins	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
Mr. Nick Stearns	Santa Rosa Academy
Dr. Kathleen Hermsmeyer	Springs Charter Schools
Mr. Mike McCormick, Vice Chair	Val Verde Unified School District

Members Absent

Dr. Allan Mucerino	Alvord Unified School District
Mr. Art Revueltas (Interim)	Banning Unified School District
Ms. Jean Marie Frey	Perris Elementary School District

Governance Council Liaisons

Dr. Zhanna Preston (Murrieta Valley USD)	Coordinating Council Chair
Mr. Stacy Coleman (Val Verde USD)	SELPA Finance Liaison

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 12:00 P.M. on Friday, April 24, 2020.

2. Welcome and Introductions

Leah Davis, RC SELPA Executive Director

Public Comments

In accordance with Riverside County Public Health Officer Order, this meeting will be held virtually via Zoom. Any person wishing to make a public comment may do so through the chat feature within Zoom. All public comments will be read aloud. 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. Reject Claim Against a Public Entity (Tort Claim) dated March 10, 2020.

That the Governance Council reject the claims against Riverside County SELPA alleged by Mr. Mike Cahill in his Claim Against a Public Entity (Tort Claim) dated March 10, 2020.

It was moved by Patrick Kelley and seconded by Steve Kennedy

Motion carried 19/ 0 /0

4. Reject Claim Against a Public Entity (Tort Claim) dated March 24, 2020.

That the Governance Council reject the claims against Riverside County SELPA alleged by I.G. (Student) in his Claim Against a Public Entity (Tort Claim) dated March 24, 2020.

It was moved by Dr. Steve Kennedy and seconded by Mr. Grant Bennett

Motion carried 19/ 0 /0

Discussion and Information Items

5. Riverside County SELPA Local Plan - Extension to Revised Local Plan

The Revised Local Plan due date has been extended to June 30, 2021. Extension is due to authorizations that will need to be authorized in person. This year the Annual Budget Plan and Annual Service Plan (part A) are due by June 2020, and will be brought forward to May's Governance Council meeting.



6. Accountability and Compliance Monitoring

RC SELPA We do appear to have a couple of months' extension. We received all of our current Special Education data. Districts were identified for intensive and targeted monitoring. CDE has now canceled all workshops around targeted and intensive monitoring. Those training will now be held virtually, and provided us with an extension through November 15, 2020 for districts to create and submit their Special Education Plan. We have encouraged monitoring from previous years, because many components will carry over.

7. Legislative Advocacy Specific to COVID-19

Riverside County SELPA has been very involved, asking for maximum flexibility regarding compliance monitoring. Betsy DeVos needs to make recommendations by the end of May. Push to get to local congress to have flexibility. The Executive Director will send out the signed letter to all Superintendents, pushing for flexibility. Pushing to get clarity on SB 117. Specific to contract agencies and NPS. RC SELPA is committed to keep our contractors whole. We are working to draft an MOU that will be attached to the master contract that Riverside County SELPA holds with all NPS. Indicating that given they have a distance learning plan and are engaging in virtual and/or engaging in distance learning we will fund per the Individual Service Agreement. There are two areas we are working individually with NPS, because there is not an across the board commitment is on transportation and 1:1 assistance. We are very close to having a set plan for payment of NPS. All invoices have all been paid thru school closures. Hopeful that CDE and/or the governor would provide clarification so there is consistency throughout the state, we were notified that we would not receive that clarification. The State SELPA organization is committed to align as much as possible.

8. Governance Council Chair Comments

No comments from the Governance Council Chair.

9. Adjournment

It was moved by Terrence Davis and seconded by Steve Kennedy.

The Governance Council Meeting was adjourned at 12:21 P.M. on Friday, April 24, 2020.