

# District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)

**DELAC Officials** 

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John Ramirez, Jr.

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#### DISTRICT ENGLISH LEARNER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

March 9, 2022 9:00 A.M.- 10:30 A.M. ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES

**Notice before starting the meeting:** Paola Juárez parent liaison shared her screen with the committee, informed that this meeting was going to be recorded for the sole purpose of keeping the record and that it would not be published and if any person did not want to be recorded, they only have to turn off their camera and also commented that none of those present had permission to record, in order to maintain privacy. If anyone has any questions about this meeting, they can call the language department to make an appointment and they will be able to watch the video, this information was given in Spanish and English.

**1.0 Welcome.** Francisca Vargas (President). Welcome to the seventh meeting of the DELAC Committee, it is 9:09 a.m. and I ask for a motion to start the meeting. First motion Francisca Noyola and second motion Rosa Arana. Sandra Gómez (district translator) is in charge of translation. Having started the meeting, all those present were welcomed, Mr. John Ramírez Jr., the Superintendent, was present.

Mr. Ramírez (Superintendent), I welcome and appreciate the work of all parents to collaborate in the programs in favor of our students.

- **2.0 Roll Call.** Was done by Lucila Mendoza (Secretary) and the following schools were represented:
  - 1. Cleveland: Rosa Arana (alt.)
  - 2. Commodore: Janette Flores Jimenez (rep.), Maria Guadalupe Grijalva (alt.)
  - 3. Edison: Francisca Noyola Mejia (rep.), Lucia Vega (Vice President)
  - 4. Elmwood: Maria de La Luz Villarreal (rep.) (Parliamentarian), Maria Maciel (alt.)

- **5. Fillmore:** Laura Martinez (rep.)
- **6. Franklin:** Angeles Cortes (rep), Brenda Esquerra Gutierrez (alt.)
- 7. **Grunsky:** Maria Sandra Arreola (rep.)
- **8. Hamilton**: Ana Zuniga (alt.)
- **9. King:** Guadalupe Sanchez (rep.)
- **10. Madison:** Jeimy Chijate (rep.)
- 11. Mata: Eugenia Hernandez (rep.)
- 12. McKinley: Beatriz Lopez (rep.), Veronica Merino (alt.), Francisca Vargas (President)
- 13. Merlo: Yana Victoria Macias (alt.)
- **14. Monroe:** Marlen Sevilla (rep.)
- 15. PYA: Angelina Aranda (rep.), Brenda Esquerra Gutierrez (alt.)
- **16. Roosevelt:** Catalina Ramos (rep.)
- 17. San Joaquin: Shirley Guiliana Garcia (rep.) (Sergeant at Arms)
- **18. Spanos:** Naida Quintero Herrera (rep.)
- 19. Taft: Alejandra Rios (rep.)
- 20. Weber: Lucila Mendoza (rep.) (Secretary), Adela Roldan (alt.)
- 21. Wilson: Adela Roldan (rep.), Miriam Reyes (alt.)

At this meeting, 28 representatives and/or alternates were present and 21 schools were represented. Present as guests were: Mr. John Ramirez Jr. (Superintendent), Dr. Israel Gonzalez (Director of LCAP and Equity), Dr. Jose Cardenas (School Counselor, Specialist), Dr. Susana Ramirez (Director of Curriculum Department), Olivia Fernandez (LDO Administrative Assistant), Sandra Gomez (LDO Interpreter), Paola Juarez (LDO Parent Liaison), Diane Ornelas (LDO Migrant Program Parent Liaison), José G. Cortez (Wilson Assistant Principal), Lilian Guerra (KingAssistant Principal), Tiffany Ashworth (Coordinator of State and Federal Programs), Cecilia Mendez (Board President, Area 1), Alicia Rico (Board Member Area 3), and Francisco Figueroa (August Community Assistant). Other parents or members of the community present were: Sophia Reyes, Rosalba Mendoza, Bertha Prado, Adela Hernandez, Maricela Nunes, giving a total of 47 people present.

**3.0** Changes to the agenda. The correction was made to 8.0 and 8.1, remaining as 7.0 and 7.1. Lucila Mendoza requested a motion to approve the changes. Verónica Merino made the first motion and was seconded by Adela Hernández Roldan. There was no opposition, no one abstained, and with all in favor, it was approved.

Lucila Mendoza (Secretary) explained her health situation with the accident she had on her right hand and asked if the members agreed that she continue as secretary, despite not taking minutes. Ángeles Cortés (Franklin's representative)

asked the question: How long is your recovery estimated to be? Lucila Mendoza answered "That it is for the rest of the school year". Francisca Vargas (President) explained that according to the bylaws she remains as secretary. Dr. Ramírez expressed the support that the entire team will give her. All agreed that Lucila Mendoza (Secretary) will continue in her position.

**4.0 Reading and approval of minutes.** The minutes for February 2, 2022 were approved with one change: Leticia Albor-August (rep) not from Adams. Making the first emotion Francisca Noyola, second motion: Marlen Sevilla, all in favor, no opposition, no abstentions, motion approved.

### 5.0 Old business.

## 5.1 Update on the EL Master Plan meetings

Update. Dr. Susana, Good morning, I welcome the administrators and I appreciate the assistance of those who participated in the workshops, the next meeting will be on March 28 at 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and the repetition will be in the afternoon 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. She also invited teachers and administrators to participate.

The last meeting on February 28 discussed the ELACs and DELACs, the March meeting will start with the changes that were made at the previous meeting. Chapter 2 will be reviewed: The government and administration of the programs and survey that is done when a student enters the School District. Possibly there will be two meetings for this chapter, an extra possibly in early April, these meetings are open to the public.

**5.2 Update on the DELAC representative survey**, Mrs. Francisca Vargas thanked the 20 schools that filled out the survey for their participation and explained that the results were presented to the superintendent and will be available on the DELAC website.

### 6.0 New business.

**6.1 LCAP Updates - Goals and Parent Involvement, Dr. Israel Gonzalez.** Dr. Israel Gonzalez gave a presentation on the LCAP and he shared

with us a page of the metrics that are used to measure student growth on the LCAP goals (Goal 1, Goal 2, and Goal 3) and where this can be found on the district website where it says "About us"--> "LCAP".

- Different meetings with educational partners
- For the report it is the first year of 3 years to evaluate 80 actions if they worked or not
- June public hearing, to have county approval in July
- SUSD LCAP Survey
- Two other surveys will be created

### 6.2 Presentation on the A-G Requirements, Dr. Jose Cardenas.

Francisca Vargas (President) welcomed Dr. Cárdenas. Dr Cárdenas, Thank you for giving me the opportunity to explain the requirements from A to G. We are here to assist students in all areas to live fully. Dr. Cardenas asked the following questions: Do you know how to contact your child's counselor? And what questions do you have for A-G?

Rosalba Mendoza (Guest), What does it mean from A to G?

José G Cortéz (Wilson Assistant Principal), What impact does A to G have on going to college?

Eugenia Hernández (Representative of Mata), commented that why is there no counselor or he is not there or is incapacitated and that she has not been able to speak with someone in this department.

Dr. Cárdenas replied that the counselors are sometimes in the classrooms due to a lack of teachers.

Lucila Mendoza, what is the difference between graduating with the requirements from A to G and without them?

Dr. Cardenas, what motivates students? They did a survey and said: Family, friends, better future, having someone positive in your life and in your family, in

the church and in your environment. You as parents want the best for your children. We as counselors, what can we do to motivate students to be successful? We are working with parents, not just in high school but from elementary school. During this time students are persistent, and even when they have difficult subjects, they are persistent with homework, with teachers and with tutoring. And he gave the example of astronaut José Hernández who overcame many difficulties and achieved his goal.

You work in what you don't like to work in, in the United States having more education gives you more options. Many students want to follow their passion, we want them to find something that they love from a young age so that they love their work.

Some examples of secondary education:

- Community Colleges (Delta)
- California Universities (9)
- Military (Academies)
- State colleges
- Private schools
- Apprenticeship (where you get paid to learn)

The money may also be motivating students to study more.

"College graduates earn 40% more income than high school graduates" and other studies show that you earn more with more education.

Dr. Cardenas gave the following points about the A-G requirements:

- A: History (2 years, world, US)
- B: English (4 years)
- C: Mathematics (3 years, but 4 is recommended)
- D: Laboratory Science (2 years, but 3 recommended, Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- E: Another language (2 years, but it is recommended 3 and that it be the same language)
- F: Visual Arts (1 year, band, drama, choir, art)
- G: Other college elective (1 year, one A-F class)

These are requirements that they must study from kindergarten to eighth grade and in high school. In high school you have to focus on the GPA (grade point average). A 2.0 GPA which is a "C" grade in classes is required to play sports and state colleges and a 3.0 GPA is required for California universities.

Being 10:55 a.m. Lucila Mendoza asked for a motion to extend the meeting. First motion, Ana Zuniga and seconded by Alejandra Yanez (Rios), all in favor, no one against, no one abstained, motion approved.

- **7.0** Announcements. Done by Lucía Vega (Vice President)
  - **7.1 DELAC Remind.** She reminded members to download the app.
  - **7.2 Bags and Planners**. Paola Juárez commented that those who have not picked up their bag and calendar should contact her.
  - 7.3 Next meeting 4/13/2022; 9:00-11:00 a.m.
  - 7.4 English Learner (EL) Parent Needs Assessment Survey 2021-2022 (March 7 April 1)

Paola Juarez (parent liaison) explained that bags and calendars will be delivered to the schools of the representatives with perfect attendance and are to be raffled off at the schools.

**8.0 Closure**. The meeting closed at 11:29 am. The first motion was made by Sandra Arreola and seconded by María Maciel. motion passed

These minutes were written by María de la Luz Villarreal and Paola Juarez.