

SPECIAL EDUCATION COORDINATING AGENCY

SEPTEMBER 23, 2021

10:00AM-12:00PM

*Joint Meeting with CBOs and Special Education Directors

Santa Cruz County Office of Education – Board Room

400 Encinal Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

APPROVED MINUTES

AGENDA

1.0 Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 10:02am

2.0 Roll Call

Bonny Doon X

DELTA Charter A

Live Oak Elementary School District T (arrived at 10:25am)

Happy Valley Elementary School District A

Mountain Elementary X

Pacific Elementary School District X

Pacific Collegiate X

San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District X

Santa Cruz City School Districts A

Santa Cruz County Office of Education X

Scotts Valley Unified School District A

Soquel Union Elementary X

3.0 Approval of Agenda

M/S/C (Sabbah/Turnbull)

7-0

5-Absent

4.0 Public Comment for Open Session

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5.0 Approval of May 20, 2021 Minutes

M/S/C (Heffner/Sabbah)

6-0

5-Absent

Schiermeyer abstained

6.0 Reports

a. Sr. SELPA Director

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Presenter: Jessica Little

Ms. Little reviewed her report that was included in the packet. Information shared included Compliance, Timely Reporting, CDE Due Dates, NPS/NPA Monitoring and Oversight, CAC, PPP, Professional Development, CALPADS compliance, ADR Grants and general finance.

Ms. Little also shared the AB130 money breakdown for dispute resolution & learning recovery

b. SEC Directors

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Presenter: Shar Ames

Ms. Ames discussed considerations for independent study for special education students. Directors are planning ESY dates for consistency. Directors have been working on plans for Dispute Resolution and Learning Recovery.

c. Operations Council

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Presenter: Jessica Little

Ms. Little talked about the increased placement cost threshold going from 50k to 100k. Also taking a look at the process to keep Small Schools solvent. Proposed AB602 language will be presented at next meeting for approval.

Mr. Sabbah wants to add to future agendas standing item related to proposals regarding SLEPA structures stemming from the WestEd study.. **(follow-up to this noted in section 10.0 "future agenda items")*

Ms. Little then gave a summary of the recent reports released by WestEd, concerns and proposals.

d. SCCOE Regional Program SH and Autism

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Presenter: Deven Stark

Ms. Stark presented a slideshow presentation

Autism Program includes:

46 currently enrolled students

55 students were projected

6 total classrooms

0 SCIA's

Severely Handicapped Program Includes:

34 currently enrolled students

42 students were projected

5 total classrooms

18 SCIA's

Post Senior Program Includes:

28 currently enrolled students

9 students are projected to join program next year

3 total classrooms

8 SCIA's

e. SCCS ED Program

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Presenter: Staci Weisman

Ms. Weisman gave a presentation on the SAIL therapeutic program that is run through both Santa Cruz City Elementary and Santa Cruz City High School districts.

Mini - 2 classes, 8 students, max capacity 16

Junior - 2 classes, 12 students, max capacity 20

High- 3 classes, 27 students, max capacity 30

Estimated cost per year for a SAIL student placement \$61,524

7.0 Items scheduled for Presentation/Discussion

a. 2020-21 Unaudited Actuals for Regional Programs and Program Rates

Receive information on the 2020-21 Unaudited Actuals.

Presenter: Liann Reyes

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Ms. Reyes gave a presentation regarding the 2020-21 unaudited actuals for regional programs and what those program rates are. Topics included what services are included in the COE's regional program and what costs are associated with providing these services.

Ms. Reyes noted the totals change between 2nd interim and unaudited actuals was decreased by \$945,917. Mr. Gross mentioned the decrease was most likely a pandemic related savings.

b. 2021-22 Adopted Budget for Regional Programs and Estimated Program Rates

Receive information on the 2021-22 Adopted Budget **pg. 30**

Presenter: Liann Reyes

Ms. Reyes Revenue breakdown 2021-22 adopted budget = \$12,048,641

total change between 2020-21 unaudited actuals and 2021-22 adopted budget was an increase of = \$2,887,507

Mr. Schiermeyer requested a future presentation regarding special ed staffing and costs **(follow-up to this noted in section 10.0 "future agenda items")*

8.0 Items scheduled for Action/Approval

a. Approval of the 2020-2021 NSCC SELPA Unaudited Actuals

Approval of the 2020-21 Unaudited Actuals and the Updated 2021-22 Adopted Budget for the SELPA office.

Presenter: Rebecca Olker

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Ms. Olker presented the unaudited actual financial report.

9.0 Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Appointment of Alternates to serve as SECA representatives for 2021-2022**
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- b. Approval of 2020-2021 Warrants May 2021-June 30, 2021**
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- c. Approval of 2021-2022 Warrants July 1, 2021-September 2021**
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- d. 2021-2022 SELPA Adopted Budget Approval and Comments**
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M/S/C (Turnbull/Sabbah)

8-0

4-Absent

10.0 Future Agenda Item(s)

Presentation on regional programs, staffing and models and costs associated (Chris Schiermeyer)

Standing item with updates and ongoing advocacy points regarding information around the restructuring of SELPAs (Faris Sabbah)

11.0 Adjournment

11:23am

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