

**SPECIAL EDUCATION COORDINATING AGENCY**

DECEMBER 16, 2021

10:00AM-12:00PM

**LOCATION**

Board Room  
Santa Cruz County Office of Education  
400 Encinal Street  
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Approved Minutes

**AGENDA**

**1.0 Call to Order**

10:00am meeting started

**2.0 Roll Call**

Bonny Doon X  
DELTA Charter A  
Live Oak Elementary School District X  
Happy Valley Elementary School District X  
Mountain Elementary X  
Pacific Elementary School District X  
Pacific Collegiate X  
San Lorenzo Valley Unified School District X  
Santa Cruz City School Districts X  
Santa Cruz County Office of Education X  
Scotts Valley Unified School District X  
Soquel Union Elementary X

**3.0 Approval of Agenda**

M/S/C Munro/Sabbah  
11-0 (1-Absent)

**4.0 Closed Session**

**a. Personnel, SELPA Director Evaluation (Government Code 54957)**

**5.0 Public Comment for Open Session**

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*considered in closed session. Expulsion appeal hearings are heard in closed session unless a request for hearing in open session is made by the appellant.*

## **6.0 Approval of November 18, 2021 Minutes**

M/S/C Schiermeyer/Turnbull  
11-0 (1-Absent)

## **7.0 Reports**

### **a. Sr. SELPA Director**

*Presenter: Jessica Little*

Ms Little talked about NPS monitoring per AB1172. Member LEAs can do site visits per MOUs on each other's behalf. The SELPA may monitor on behalf of LEAs. Visits can still be made via Zoom or another virtual tour method per CDE.

Ms Little talked about initial evaluations and overdue meetings. Numbers of evaluations are going up. Staff is going down. Delay codes in CALPADS are still considered late.

Annual performance indicator letters will be delayed from January to February. New annual performance reporting is starting in Fall 2022.

Local plan is adding Annual Assurances by 2023 according to Ms Little. Eight state priorities will need to be described. Will need to also include how the SELPA will help with this.

WestEd update. Ms Little provided a handout with major points from the almost 250 page document. Proposals might affect Small to midsize schools (and Charters) the most in a negative way.

Major topic is removing SELPAs and shifting money directly to the LEAs. This could create more work for the LEAs which could impact staffing. Would remove EdCode that you have to belong to a SELPA. Could create a "have & have not" mentality. Report has a theme of trying to align SpEd and Regular Ed more closely together. Would shift monitoring from the SELPA to the County Office of Education. Revamping of the website at CDE is another recommendation. More parent input in the LCAP and dissolving the CAC committee is a suggestion from the report. More communication to LEAs via newsletters or other means by CDE.

Ms Krause (Scotts Valley) Larger districts in other parts of the State seem to want out of the SELPA model. Larger districts have more money typically and don't want to share with the smaller districts. Larger districts are also in some cases their own SELPA.

Mr Schiermeyer (SLVUSD) asked what the next step is? Ms Little said at this time it's somewhat unclear.

Mr Schiermeyer (SLVUSD) asked about what the impact on independent Charters would be? Do they have to do whatever their LEA would do? How much power would the LEA have?

There has been low professional development participation.

Fall 1 reporting wrapping up.

Ms Munro (SCCS) asked about the increased number of plans for SpEd which seems to be spiraling out of control.

**b. SEC Directors**

*Presenter: Stacy O'Farrell*

Ms O'Farrell talked about what has been talked about during the SEC directors meetings. Ms O'Farrell mentioned that most of the topics have been covered in the previous segment. Thank you to John Roberts for helping with the Fall 1 Data.

**c. Operations Council**

*Presenter: Jessica Little*

Ms Little talked about the Operations council. Proposing a deadline in AB602 for LEAs to submit their information for the Mental Health Pool Claims.

**8.0 Items scheduled for Action/Approval**

**a. Approve the NSCC SELPA 1<sup>st</sup> Interim Budget Report and Revisions**

*The state requires that 1st interim budget report for fiscal year 2021-22 be submitted to the COE by December 15, 2021. This budget report reflects the SELPA's ability to meet its financial obligations in the current fiscal year and subsequent two fiscal years.*

*Presenter: Rebecca Olker*

Ms Olker talked about the 1st Interim Budget Report and Revisions.

M/S/C Gross/Munro

11-0 (1-Absent)

**9.0 Consent Agenda**

**a. Approval of 2021-22 Warrants: November 2021 – December 1, 2021**

M/S/C Sabbah/Heffner

11-0 (1-Absent)

**10.0 Future Agenda Item(s)**

**11.0 Adjournment**

Next SECA meeting January 20, 2022

M/S/C Gross/Tresham

11-0 (1-Absent)

10:55am adjourned

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