

PLACERVILLE UNION SCHOOL DISTRICT

District English Learners Advisory Committee (DELAC)

April 15, 2021

MINUTES

Present: Mireya Rodriguez, Arianna Gonzalez, Liliana Pimienta, Nereida Perez, Alejandra Briones, Erica Garcia-Briseno, Chris Belmer, Maggi Haley, and Donna Bazett

- A. Welcome/Introductions- Donna welcomed everyone and had everyone introduce themselves.
- B. Purpose of DELAC - Donna did a quick review of the purpose of DELAC and thanked everyone for their willingness to serve on DELAC in their respective capacities and roles.
- C. Role and Responsibilities of DELAC:
DELAC is required to advise the governing board on the following~
 1. **District plan for EL programs and services-** Donna shared that the final draft of the District Master Plan for English Learners was going to be presented for Board approval at the May School Board meeting. Donna thanked everyone for their input to the plan. The Plan will also be translated into Spanish.
 2. **District-wide needs assessment-** Donna shared that the annual District-wide EL needs assessment/ Parent Survey was available for parents to complete online. It is a Google form and we had reviewed how to complete it at a prior DELAC meeting this year. It is the first time we are solely accepting survey responses online only. The results will be presented to DELAC at the first DELAC meeting of the year.
 3. Setting district goals for EL education
 4. District plan to meet teacher and aide requirements
 5. Written parent notification of initial enrollment
 6. **District's reclassification process-** The District's reclassification process and reclassification forms were reviewed. ELPAC results will not be available until late July since the ELPAC testing window was extended. School sites will review students eligible for reclassification based on ELPAC results next fall.
 7. **Review and comment on the development or annual update of the Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP)-** Mr. Bonniksen reviewed the proposed LCAP which will be presented to the school board in June. Mr. Bonniksen shared that there is a new Expanded Learning Plan which will address distance learning. This year, we had certain directives to follow in response to the pandemic. We were able to use paraeducators in a flexible manner and also we utilized technology/ computer programs differently. There were no comments from DELAC members but

they thanked Mr. Bonnicksen for his hard work during this challenging school year.

- D. Local Control Accountability Plan (LCAP) - Please see item #C-7 above.
- E. English Language Proficiency Assessments for California (ELPAC):
 - 1. Our ELPAC testing is underway. Markham has already completed all their testing. Schnell and Sierra are in the middle of their testing. Donna shared CDE's ELPAC parent information page and encouraged everyone to explore the page when they had some time: <https://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ep/elpacparentresource.asp>
- F. Dual Immersion Program Update- The Dual Immersion program is going well despite the challenges of being in a hybrid model at the beginning of the school year. We are on track to add 2nd grade to the Dual Immersion program next year. Nereida assists in the DI class and she shared about how impressed she is with the program.
- G. Input for Program
 - 1. Parents- The parents are happy their children are back in school now. Learning online through Zoom was very challenging. They also inquired about next school year. Donna said at this point we are planning for returning to school full time and in-person.
 - 2. Staff - Staff were glad the end of the school year was near. There was some positive feedback about the Imagine Learning Language and Literacy program. Donna talked about the Consolidated Application and that this is the mechanism where we let the State Department know we want to apply for Title III - English Learner programs funding. We usually submit our Consolidated Application for funding to the California State Dept. of Education in June.
- H. Multi-Cultural Event/Health Fair - With things returning to more normalcy next school year, Donna is hoping we can bring back our Multi-Cultural Event/Health Fair next April.
- I. Donna reviewed the Future DELAC Meeting dates for 2021-2022 School Year: October 7, 2021, 3:30 p.m.; January 20, 2022, 3:30 p.m. and April 21, 2022, 3:30 p.m.
- J. Other: Donna thanked everyone again for serving on DELAC and shared she has thoroughly enjoyed working with everyone on DELAC throughout all of these years. Donna then added after 35 years with the school district, we will be retiring at the end of June.