

**Newman-Crows Landing Unified School District
District English Learner Advisory Committee**

Monday, December 7, 2015

McConnell Center

5:30-7:00 pm

I Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Mrs. Solis, Director of Support Services. Mrs. Solis introduced Brenda Castaneda (Chairperson) and Elizabeth Garcia (Secretary). Yenedic Gonzalez (Vice Chairperson) was not present at the meeting.

A. Member Introductions: Those present introduced themselves and identified the school they represented. A sign in sheet is available in the 2015-2016 Newman-Crows Landing Unified School District (NCLUSD) District English Learner Advisory (DELAC) binder.

School Site Representatives:

Bonita:	Kim Bettencourt (principal)
Hunt:	Elizabeth Garcia, Bilma Hernandez (teacher)
Hurd-Barrington:	Brenda Castaneda
Von Renner:	Maria Aguilera, Heather Vargas (principal)
Yolo:	Brenda Castaneda, Carolina Flanders, Elizabeth Garcia, Stacy Doss (teacher), Brenda Castaneda
OHS:	Melissa Doerksen, Elizabeth Garcia
District:	Alice Solis (Director of Support Services, Kim Bettencourt (Director of Curriculum & Instruction)
Other:	Yesika Uribe (UC Merced)

B. The minutes (English and Spanish) from the last meeting May 21, 2015 were unanimously approved.

II District/Site Information

A. R30 Language Census Data

Mrs. Solis, Director of Support Services, presented the district's R30 Report for the 2015-2016 school year. Handout were distributed.

B. Parent Empowerment Program (PEP) – Presentation by Yesika Uribe, UC Merced

Mrs. Uribe presented a power point presentation about the upcoming Parent Empowerment Program (PEP). Parent Empowerment Program is a 9 week program that empowers parents to understand and assist their children to navigate a path to higher education. Mrs. Uribe answered a few parent questions. And parents were recommended

to contact Mrs. Doerksen, 6th-12th College and Career Counselor at either Yolo Middle School and/or Orestimba High School. Handouts were distributed.

- C. Melissa Doerksen, Newman-Crows Landing Unified School District, 6th-12th College and Career Counselor

Mrs. Doerksen introduced herself and gave a brief overview of her job responsibilities.

III Public Input/News from Schools

Hunt: Elizabeth Garcia shared that her son enjoyed and had a good time attending 6th grade Camp.

IV Legal Items

A. Importance of School Attendance

Mrs. Solis, Director of Support Services, reviewed each school's monthly Average Daily Attendance for August through November and the Holiday Letter, a letter that conveyed a positive message that regular school attendance is important, that schools sent out.

V Parent Request Items

Mrs. Solis, Director of Support Services, asked if there were any items suggested for the next upcoming District English Learner Advisory Committee meeting. There were no suggestions. A parent, who has students at the elementary, middle school and high school, asked if schools communicate with each other in regards to school events because it sometimes schools offer activities on the same day. Mrs. Solis, Director of Support Services, suggested parents inform the school and shared schools can look into their calendar of scheduled events.

VI Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:59 pm, Chair, Brenda Castaneda (first), Secretary, Secretary, Elizabeth Garcia (second).