

SUPERINTENDENT'S SPECIAL EDUCATION POLICY COUNCIL

November 15, 2018 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Humboldt County Office of Education – Annex Board Room

Item 3.1

Voting Members Present:	Karla Darnall Shari Lovett Glen Senestraro	Brooke Davis Michael Quinlan Melanie Susavilla	Chris Hartley Jan Schmidt Laurie Alexander (Proxy)
Voting Members Absent:	Don Boyd Fred Van Vleck	Steve Godla	Craig Kimball
Non-Voting members Present:	Luke Biesecker	Mindy Fattig	
Guests Present:	Genevive Macias Holly S	Heather Quigley-Cook Angela West	Michelle Roslosnik

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 by Michael Quinlan.

2.0 ADJUSTMENT OF AGENDA

None

3.0 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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A motion was made by Glen and seconded by Laurie to accept the minutes as read. The motion carried with all in favor.

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

5.0 ACTION ITEMS

5.1 2018-19 Policy Council Calendar Revisions

After a poll was conducted the majority of attendees and votes were February 4, 9:00 – 11:00 and April 9, 9:00 – 11:00. **A motion was made by Glen and seconded by Laurie to hold the meetings on those dates. The motion carried with all in favor.**

6.0 INFORMATION/ACTION ITEMS

6.1 California Autism Professional Training and Information Network (CAPTAIN) – Jenny Streeter
Jenny was unable to attend, tabled until January 17, 2019 meeting

6.2 Information on Group Home Placement Procedures

Mindy shared that the current policy for Licensed Children Institutions (LCI), now called Out of Home Care (OHC), is still used. The recent placement from Turning Point Group home was an inappropriate placement and SELPA is now unaware of it. The law specifies that the SELPA is to be notified when an out of the area placement with special education needs is considered to ensure services are available. She is now in communication with both the group home and the Regional Center to ensure that the SELPA is notified, per law, for any future out of area placements. Mindy was asked to notify the Policy Council and the affected LEA if it occurs again.

6.3 Information on TLC Placement Procedures for Humboldt County

Mindy shared that the current policy is going through two legal reviews with no changes at this time. She will bring back to the January meeting if any updates are required.

6.4 Civil Grand Jury Response

Mindy has requested to be put on the December 18th County Board of Supervisors agenda to present on our counties special education services. She would like to touch base on the response but would prefer to share the more positive aspect and current needs including fiscal deficit in our rural SELPA. Once Mindy's presentation is on the County Board agenda, the SELPA office will send out the details to all superintendents hoping for their support by attendance to the meeting.

6.5 SELPA Director Professional Goals

Mindy shared her goals with the committee. Her first goal is to attend the LEAs regional meetings; ERVA, CHAT and NHAC at least once this year and then twice yearly thereafter. She has already attended a NHAC meeting and plans to schedule the others soon. The second goal is to report to those regional meetings along with the Policy Council, Special Education Administrators Advisory Committee (SEAAC) and the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) the State, Federal and local activities regarding special education both programmatic and fiscal.

Chris thanked Mindy for her proactive work and with a good healthy process of outreach the director. Glen also complimented Mindy's availability and outreach saying that he feels more supported than ever by the SELPA.

6.6 Updates – SELPA Internal Review Recommendations

Mindy went over each of the Fiscal & Programmatic recommendations along with her progress so far. Fiscal Ad Hoc meetings are being scheduled to address the fiscal portion of the recommendations. She recently invited Ryan Anderson of the California Legislative Analyst's Office to the area to visit some of our school sites and to discuss equalization of funding. The programmatic recommendations are being reviewed with action begin taken. Mindy shared a list with the council of the recommendations and action that has been taken up to now.

6.7 Updates – Legislative Advocacy

Chris has been in communication with Senator McGuire and more information on future Leg Days will be coming.

6.8 Directors Report

Mindy reported that the Humboldt – Del Norte SELPA along with 3 others SELPAs; San Mateo, East Valley and Ventura are applying for a Lead grant and have been selected as one of the two finalists. The SELPA Directors along with Jeff Harris will be interviewed while Chris Hartley will video conference in. Chris feels it is a game changer to be part of the final two and it connects our SELPA well. The committee thanked Mindy for her work in moving forward.

The CASEMIS software is not out yet but hopes to receive it soon. The transition from CASEMIS to CALPADS has been a bit more work than they anticipated. The SELPA office has been working behind the scenes with error searches in preparation.

7.0 COMMUNICATIONS

None

8.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Laurie Alexander shared information about a cross agency training December 4th 8:30 – 12:00. She asked that it be forwarded from the SELPA office to all Superintendents. Laurie invited the council to attend in support and visibility to the outside agencies. There will be a follow up meeting in January for the LEAs addressing the information brought up at the December 4th inter-agency meeting.

Holly is hosting a Paradise family, and she asked that districts, if placing a student from Paradise, try to find a local student or club to help bridge the transition.

9.0 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- ✓ Ad Hoc Report
- ✓ Formalize Luke Biesecker as a voting member

10.0 COMMENTS

None

11.0 ADJOURNMENT

APPROVED