# TEHAMA COUNTY SELPA SELPA GOVERNANCE COUNCIL

Tehama County Department of Education, Board Room 1135 Lincoln Street, Red Bluff, CA 96080 Thursday, April 12, 2018 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

## **MEETING MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Richard DuVarney, Rich Hassay, Rick Fitzpatrick, Jarod Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Dane Hansen, Jerry Walker, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase, Jeff Scheele and Veronica Coates

ABESENT: Clifford Curry, Joey Adame, Marla Katzler

**GUESTS:** Karin Matray, Wes Grossman, Claudia Salvestrin, Mark Pfaff, Evergreen parent Jeff McKenzie

#### 1. Call to Order

Richard DuVarney called the meeting to order at 10:47 a.m.

# 2. Consent Agenda

This section is generally approved collectively; however, any item in this section may be considered individually upon request. All items in this section request council approval.

- 2.1. Adoption of Agenda
- 2.2. Approval of March 8, 2018 minutes

Lane Bates motioned to adopt the Agenda and approve the March 8, 2018 meeting minutes. Rick Fitzpatrick seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote in favor: Richard DuVarney, Rich Hassay, Rick Fitzpatrick, Jarod Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Dane Hansen, Jerry Walker, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase and Jeff Scheele 0 opposed; 0 abstained

### 3. Public Input

Jeffrey McKinzie, parent of student at Evergreen, was in attendance and introductions were made. No public input provided, other than introductions.

## 4. Licensed Children's Institute (LCI) Funds

There was one request from RBUHSD which was reviewed and approved by the Fiscal Appropriations Committee (FAC). This particular request is eligible for 100% funding assistance. This would increase expenditures, which would increase the shared costs for all using this revenue source. Veronica summarized the out of home care revenue source is still at a hold harmless from December 2016 and a more accurate representation of this revenue source will be provided at estimated actuals.

The SELPA Director recommends approval of this LCI request.

Jarod Caylor motioned to approve the LCI fund request. Dane Hansen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Vote in favor: Richard DuVarney, Rich Hassay, Rick Fitzpatrick, Jarod Caylor, Brad Mendenhall, Lane Bates, Jenny Montoya, Dane Hansen, Jerry Walker, Todd Brose, Cindy Haase and Jeff Scheele

0 opposed; 0 abstained

## 5. Interim Local Plan Update

Veronica discussed the ability to use the interim local plan for up to one year after the governance council approved in January 2017. Prior to submitting to CDE for approval, the SELPA Community Advisory Council (CAC) and all LEA school boards must approve. The CAC has had the local plan to review and are scheduled to meet on April 26, 2018 for action. If approved, Veronica will provide all LEA Superintendents information and documentation to seek approval from each individual school board. The approval from CDE cannot be sought until all school boards have approved and signed off on the interim local plan. Veronica offered to attend board meetings if members have questions about local plan revisions/update. If approved by the CAC there is a possibility that documentation will be provided to council/LEAs by the end of May and hopeful that LEA boards will approve by August or September so it can be submitted to CDE for approval. It is taking the state approximately four to five months for the final approval process.

#### 6. Governance Structure & Allocation Model Presentation

Veronica gave a presentation on the Tehama County SELPA governance structure, allocation model and current funding. Veronica provided information regarding the increase in special education students and the decrease in state funding. These statewide trends are increasing the general fund contribution toward special education costs for all LEAs statewide.

Veronica attended the April 11, 2018 Legislative Hearing regarding AB 3136 by Assembly member Patrick O'Donnell which would increase special education

funding, specifically for preschool, and raise all SELPAs to the 95<sup>th</sup> percentile funding rate. As our SELPA is already at 95<sup>th</sup> percentile we would not see a gain in that area, however, if the bill passes we would receive increased revenue for our preschool students with disabilities. The bill is receiving bipartisan support and there is a desire to consider combining this bill with Assembly member Muratsuchi's LCFF bill that seeks to increase the LCFF base funding. Veronica encouraged council members to send letters of support.

## 7. Public Comment Period Regarding Closed Session Items

There was no public comment prior to closed session.

#### 8. Convene to Closed Session

Richard DuVarney convened the council closed session at 11:22 a.m. Guests left during closed session. Wes Grossman, TCDE Assistant Superintendent of Business was requested to stay due to the fiscal nature of the potential litigation exposure. Conference with legal counsel: Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to §54956.9(b): 1; potential case

## 9. Reconvene to Open Session

Reconvened meeting from closed session at 11:53 a.m.

After the closed session it was reported out that the SELPA Director is to draft a letter to the member school district regarding non-compliance of SELPA Agreement.

## 10. SELPA Director's Report

Veronica indicated estimated actuals fiscal report, draft revised preschool agreement, and updated procedures/forms for regional service requests will be provided at SELPA Executive Committee meeting scheduled for April 17, 2018.

## 11. District Reports

There were no district reports.

# 12. Adjournment

Richard DuVarney adjourned the meeting at 11:54 a.m.