

San Diego Unified School District
Office of Language Acquisition

DELAC Executive Board Meeting Minutes

April 15, 2014

Education Center, Room 2038

Officers Present: Valentina Hernandez, Gabriela Contreras-Misirlioglu, Florentina Martinez, Lallia Allali, Maricela Soto

OLA Staff Present: Nevada Allen, Debra Dougherty, Mary Waldron

Opening and Minutes

Chairperson Valentina Hernandez called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m., welcomed everyone, and asked those present to read the minutes. The minutes were approved with one addition.

Proposal to Change Spring Officer Training to Special Bylaws Meeting

Officers agreed to change the training scheduled for Tuesday, April 22 to a dedicated special bylaws meeting. The materials and resources regarding Common Core State Standards for Parents that were to be covered in the training will be given to officers for them to read and review on their own, along with a one page information sheet.

Discussion of March 20 General Meeting

Officers responded positively to the *What Parents Should Know About Special Education* presentation. They said they learned a lot and liked the fact that many people with children in special education shared their situations and also appreciated the presentation. They agreed the presentation style was clear and easy to understand.

Advice to District

- 1) Invite Charter Schools to DELAC meetings.
- 2) Whenever possible, when providing data to parents, use charts and color-coding so it's easier to read and understand.

Finalization of 2014 DELAC Needs Assessment

Officers came to consensus about revisions to be made to the DELAC End-of-Year Needs Assessment to include current topics of high interest.

Preparing for May 27 DELAC Presentation to Board of Education

Officers discussed several topics for the presentation including maintaining ELST positions with supplemental EL funds from the LCFF and presenting the "promising practice" of the Academic Language Development (ALD) course to meet the needs of Long Term English Learners. DELAC recognizes that the work of the Board of Education is closing the achievement gap and DELAC's concern is more specifically for closing the achievement gap for English Learners. It was agreed that Valentina would approve the draft of the presentation.

CABE Conference Share-Out

Valentina shared the resources she gathered at CABE.

Quick Announcements & Review of Handout Packet

Comments were made about school visits and upcoming ELAC and LCAP meetings. In a review of the handout packet, Debra pointed out flyers and other informational pages relating to non-agenda items.

Closure

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.