

San Diego Unified School District  
Office of Language Acquisition

DELAC Executive Board Meeting Minutes

October 10, 2013  
Education Center, Room 2038

**Officers Present:** Lallia Allali, Gabriela Contreras-Misirlioglu, Valentina Hernandez, Florentina Martínez, Daniella Mora, Rosie Morales, Maricela Soto.

**OLA Staff Present:** Debra Dougherty, Kathy Velasco, Mary Waldron

**Opening and Minutes**

Secretary Florentina Martinez called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m., welcomed everyone, and asked those present to read the minutes from the September 5 Executive Board meeting. The minutes were approved as read.

**Review of October 3 General Meeting**

Officers responded positively to Ron Rode's "Monitoring EL Student Performance" presentation. They appreciated that there was plenty of time for questions and answers. They also appreciated hearing about upcoming changes to testing that will be taking place throughout the state of California beginning this school year.

Advice to District:

- Provide data on the percent of non-ELs passing the California High School Exit Exam (CAHSEE) so it can be compared to the percent of ELs passing the CAHSEE.
- Look at available data to identify schools that are doing a good job with ELs.

**DELAC Needs Assessment, Link to Legal Tasks, Topics for Next General Meeting**

The October 3 "Monitoring EL Student Performance" presentation corresponds to DELAC Legal Task 2 - *District Goals and Objectives for ELs*. The following topics were chosen for the November 7 DELAC General Meeting Agenda:

- Superintendent Cindy Marten's Talk
- The Importance of School Attendance
- Supplemental Educational Services (SES) Tutoring

**Preparing for the November 19 DELAC Board of Education Presentation**

Officers shared ideas for possible topics to include and decided on the following:

- Advise the board to use increased district funding to expand ELST services
- Advise the board to have staff look more closely at district demographics to identify areas with increased numbers of immigrant and refugee families in order to provide support such as parent information sessions and workshops on cultural sensitivity.
- Emphasize the importance of daily focused English Language Development (ELD) instruction along with an emphasis on providing access to grade level content while developing academic language in core subject areas throughout the day for each EL student.

Valentina and Lallia will be the presenters. OLA staff will create the first draft of a PowerPoint presentation for presenters to review, and make changes as needed.

**Schedule Special Bylaws Meeting:** A Special Bylaws Meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 21, from 6:00 – 8:00 in Room 2038.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:36 p.m.