

East Valley Special Education Local Plan Area (EVSELPA)

Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

November 14, 2022 (via Zoom)

9:30 – 11:30 am

- I. Welcome & Introductions
- II. Review CAC Minutes – September 19, 2022
- III. EV SELPA Professional Development 2022-23
 - In-District Collaborations
 - Tuesday Tips in Social Media
 - Transition Focus
- IV. Inclusion Practices in the EV SELPA
 - Governor Newsom Vetoes SB 1113 [*Governor's Veto Message*](#)
 - SELPA Administrators of California [Inclusion Resolution](#)
 - EV SELPA Ribbon of Inclusion
- V. EV SELPA Local Plan Revisions 2022-23
- VI. 2022-23 ADR Conference
- VII. EV SELPA Special Education Parent Liaison Training
- VIII. East Valley SELPA CAC Meeting Dates 2022-2023
 - Next Meeting February 27, 2023

**EV SELPA CAC
Meeting Norms**

- 1. Listen actively to one another**
- 2. Work together - positively sharing our stories and resources**
- 3. Keep phones on vibrate**
- 4. Use commonly understood language – limit use of acronyms**
- 5. Be solution focused.**

Additional virtual norms

- 6. Stay on mute unless speaking**
- 7. Comment through the chat function.**

East Valley SELPA
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
September 19, 2022

REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT:

Paula Bailey	Rialto Unified School District
Katie Castruita	Redlands Unified School District
Breanna Jeuden-Pytel	Redlands Unified School District
Karla Kellems	Rim of the World Unified School District
Anna Klapproth	Yucaipa-Calimesa Joint Unified School District

OTHERS PRESENT:

Jennifer Brooksby	East Valley SELPA
Dr. Rick Homutoff	East Valley SELPA
Colleen Meland	East Valley SELPA
Dr. Patty Metheny	East Valley SELPA

1.0 Welcome & Introductions

Chief Administrative Officer, Dr. Patty Metheny, of the East Valley SELPA Office, 670 E. Carnegie Drive, San Bernardino, California, called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. and shared the agenda on the screen. She welcomed everyone and asked attendees to introduce themselves.

2.0 Getting to Know One Another

Participants introduced themselves and shared a little about themselves

3.0 Norms for Meeting

Dr. Metheny shared proposed norms for the group. There were no objections or comments. The team adopted the proposed norms.

4.0 What is a SELPA?

Dr. Metheny outlined the history of SELPAs in the state of California. She shared the governance structure as it relates to the East Valley SELPA. The group learned about the mission of the East Valley SELPA and how it works together to achieve its mission.

5.0 What is a CAC?

Dr. Metheny shared the purpose of a Community Advisory Committee, its governance structure, the role it plays in SELPA operations, and the insight parents provide in helping the SELPA learn about the parent voice.

6.0 Review of Minutes – April 25, 2022, Meeting

Dr. Metheny screen-shared the minutes from the April 25, 2022, CAC meeting and asked for a motion to approve them. Katie Castruita moved to approve, and Paula Bailey seconded the

motion. The CAC approved the minutes by consensus.

7.0 EV SELPA Member District Dispute Prevention/Resolution & Learning Recovery Plans

Jennifer Brooksby shared the highlights of the Dispute Prevention/Resolution and Learning Recovery Plans as they were submitted by each member district. Anna Klapproth asked how she can find out the guidelines for how funds must be expended. Dr Metheny shared that specific guidelines can be found in Sections 160 and 161 of AB130. Katie Castruita asked whether or not the allotment would increase based on the 2021 SpEd Pupil Count. Funds were sent to districts in September 2021. Paula Bailey acknowledged that there is still a staffing shortage and asked if there would be an extension to expend funds. Dr. Metheny shared that this is not currently the case but it is possible that with the political action taking place around these grants that they may get extended. Anna Klapproth desires to have all staff (including General Education staff) become Trauma Informed so that they can better meet the needs of the students in the classrooms. Dr. Metheny responded by stating that yes, all staff can be trained with these funds and would share this desire with the Yucaipa leaders.

8.0 SB1113 – Supporting Inclusive Practices

Jennifer Brooksby shared the purpose of the United in Inclusion Ribbon award through the Supporting Inclusive Practices grant. Anna Klapproth asked how the districts will determine which schools will participate in the Ribbon. Dr. Metheny acknowledged that there is a data component that drives the grant but there is a cultural aspect that is a goal to shift the practice of school site team. Ms. Klapproth would like to reach out to the Yucaipa district director to provide feedback on the SIP Ribbon of Inclusion as well as have Dr. Metheny reach out on her behalf. Ms. Klapproth would like to be a voice for her district. Breanna Jeuden-Pytel asked how this would look for preschool. Dr. Metheny outlined the Universal Pre-K movement and share that the ribbon can be applied to those preschool classrooms that are a part of a school district. SB1113 is awaiting Governor Newsom’s signature and does include requirements for appropriate teacher credentialing.

9.0 EV SELPA Professional Development Catalog 2022-2023

Dr. Metheny shared the East Valley SELPA website to review the professional learning opportunities. She went on to walk the group through the Virtual Parent ADR Event environment to demonstrate how everyone can have access to the resources through November 30, 2022. The Alternative Dispute Resolution opportunities for parents on the website were highlighted. Karla Kellems asked how a parent would know if their situation would be conducive to using ADR. Dr. Metheny shared some suggestions for how to recognize the difference between family court vs IEP ADR. Ms. Klapproth asked about whether or not an advocate was necessary to support their child. In response, Dr. Metheny indicated that trained, impartial, professional mediators can be brought in to mediate the issue. Katie Castruita shared the benefits of the Parent Liaison class and outlined how the class is beneficial in helping parents learn to listen to each other. Dr. Homutoff expressed concern with the idea that districts could make decisions for students and shared that districts are always required to get some form of parental consent.

10.0 Family Engagement Centers Expansion

Riverside and San Bernardino Counties have never had a Family Engagement Centers. Janice Hinton, through Inland Regional Center, will now run the Family Engagement Center for both counties. Katie Castruita asked if the Family Engagement Center (FEC) would operate separate and apart from Inland Regional Center. Dr. Metheny indicated that yes, the FEC will be its own entity.

11.0 East Valley SELPA CAC Meeting Dates 2022-2023

The group discussed the following meeting dates and agreed to the meeting schedule. The team discussed the option of meeting in-person vs virtual. Virtual meetings will be determined each month. The team agrees that the November and February meeting will be virtual.

November 14, 2022

February 27, 2023

April 24, 2023

12.0 Adult Transition Programs

Colleen Meland outlined upcoming trainings for parents of students who are or will be in the Adult Transition Program to learn more about opportunities that these students can receive.

13.0 Adjournment

The virtual meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.