



Santa Barbara Unified School District

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DELAC Meeting Minutes November 16, 2011

Present: 15 parents and 1 staff member.

1. Welcome and Introductions § Public comments:

- Dr. Cynthia White announced that the SBUSD will start a transitional kindergarten for children born in the fall - from Nov. 2 to Dec. 2. Such students will be eligible to attend two years of kindergarten.
- Per question from Carlos Martinez, Katia stated that there is no district ELAC training plan as of now.
- Sal reported on behalf of Padres Unidos, describing their parent engagement work completed this fall at individual SBUSD schools. This included organizing ELACs and giving ELAC trainings to 6 schools, organization of a Back to School Night interpretation project, parent involvement program for several elementary schools, and MALDEF Padres Adelante classes that are scheduled to begin at DPHS in January.

2. Approval of minutes 06/21/11 and 10/19/11

- The minutes of September and October were read and voted unanimously to approve .

3/4. Review of the English Learner Master Plan and district reclassification procedure/ Review of written notifications sent to parents and guardians

- Katia reviewed the EL Master Plan including the process of initial designation as well the district reclassification procedure and answered related questions. She also explained the purpose and process for using the district's parent notification forms.

5. Bylaws review and adoption

- Discussion centered on resetting meeting dates for the year. Topic to be revisited next meeting.
- Carlos pointed out the need to consider the election of officers for a minimum of two years.
- The bylaws will be reviewed and adopted next meeting.

6. New Business

- Carlos Martinez called attention to the need for the district to provide qualified interpreters.
- Carlos Martinez recommended that Sal Guerena be a candidate for full membership in DELAC since the bylaws allow for non-parents of ELs to constitute up to 49 percent of DELAC members. It was moved, seconded, and voted; the motion passed unanimously to elect Sal Guerena as a full member of DELAC.
- Katia pointed out that DELAC will need to add the All ELAC Recognition to next meeting agenda since the event is scheduled for April.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Recorder: Sal Guerena/Rodriguez-Mester