OAK GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT

District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)

March 4, 2020

Boardroom-5:00pm to 6:30pm

Amy Boles called the meeting to order at 5:08 PM.

DELAC Representatives Present:

- Anabel Leyva @ Bernal
- Maria Arellano @ Del Roble
- Eva Marcoida @ Frost/Indigo
- Luz Vera @ Herman/Adventure
- Lynn Lam @ Ledesma

- Sofia Balanchuk @ Oak Ridge
- Rahul Jain @ Santa Teresa
- Shirley Herrera @ Stipe
- Francisca Leyva @ Stipe
- Valeryana Allemand @ Taylor

Staff Present:

- Amy Boles, Director of Educational Services
- Luz Ma. Pánuco, Administrative Secretary
- Rocio Cortes, Babysitter

DELAC Officers

- Chairperson: Valeryana AllemandVice-Chairperson: Annabel Leyva
- Secretary: Luz Ma. PánucoParliamentarian: Rahul Jain

Agenda

- Welcome & Introductions
- Approve Minutes from December Meeting
- iReady data Follow-Up
- Interventions for English Language Learners
- District Celebration of Diversity, Language and Culture: Brainstorm
- Share ideas across sites

Welcome & Introduction

Amy Boles welcomed all parents and thanked them for attending the meeting. She informed the parents about the next DELAC meeting on April 1, 2020 from 5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in the District Board Room. She mentioned that there would be food and childcare for those who attend the meetings. Every representative will receive a free book to take home at every DELAC meeting.

The reps participated in a team building activity call three T's (Truth, Truth, Tale). She asked them to take a post it note and write three statements about yourself, one of which isn't true. For example: I have two brothers, I was born in Australia, I have a motorcycle. Amy asked to get into groups of three and each person shares their statements, and the person to their right tries to guess their "tale." Then we had a group sharing. Any surprises? Do you have anything in common with someone else in your group? What was the best 'tale" from your group? Valeryana dated someone famous.

Review and Approve Minutes

Our chairperson will take us through this process:

- Everyone reads last meeting's minutes
- Bring up any questions or revisions to the minutes
- A motion is needed to approve the minutes as is or with suggested additions/revisions (please state the additions/revisions)

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- All those in favor, vote "aye."
- All those opposed, vote "nay."
- Chairperson shares it the minutes are approved or not (based on majority)

Amy asked the reps to review the minutes from February 5, 2020 meeting. All reps approved to correct two minor mistakes on the minutes. Both errors is on page three of four under Amy shared ELAC website and should say Amy shared *ELPAC website*. The other is under the website elac.startingsmarter.org and should be **elpac.startingsmarter.org** Valeryana Allemand took us through the process for approval of the minutes. Shirley Herrera motioned to approve the minutes. Sofia Balanchuk seconded the motion, all reps present agreed.

Data Question Follow-up

A question came up last meeting asking how this year's mid-year data compared to last year's mid-year data for English learners. Unfortunately, we are unable to make this comparison. This is the first year that we can disaggregate iReady data by student group. Thus. This year will be our baseline for comparison.

Intervention Ideas for ELs

English learners in general

Newcomers (1 Year of Less in the US)

At-Risk of becoming Long-Term English learner (5+ years of identification)

LTELs (6+ years of identification)

*Amy will email to Reps & Principals EL Data & ELD Evaluation Data # as of Feb. 2020.

Count off into groups of 3-4 and rotate through the posters to brainstorm ideas.

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Tutoring for language acquisition

Library resources

Art projects that integrate with language

development

Language intervention specialist

Debate club, public speaking class

Movie club (watch movie and discuss plot, main

idea....)

Summer programs: sports, art, STEM that

integrates language acquisition

Book Club

Learning thru music

Help students with a library card

EL language game club (lunch)

Have field trips to library/encourage parents to

take the child to library

Language and coach learning and play sports

Newcomers

Assign a buddy to student & family

Presentation of where they are from or have a

class project on heritage

Counselor for student

Home visit by counselor/teacher with interpreter

Assign school staff as contact person to

support/guide parent.

More parent involvement

Have English class for parents if required or other

type of resources

Welcoming night district wide with Art with

welcome kits: (example: sight words cards, books,

etc.)

Parent workshops for literacy resources, language

resources

Technology classes, socio-emotional support

Interpreters for more languages

At-Risk 5th/6th graders

Parent intervention to talk/read with child for 30 minutes a day.

Reading club in school

Private tutoring for language, reading and writing Reward system or incentive to reach goals of

language acquisition (once goals are reached,

there is an award night)

Kindle for free library app

Homework club

Incentives-for reclassification

Chromebooks

LTELs 7th/8th graders

Parent activities to gather to discuss how to help

Give more 1-1 attention. Look into their individual scores to know which area to

concentrate on

Get all these students in same class

Intensive supports might include tutoring,

emotion supports, extra special ed supports for

those with IEP's

Chromebooks

Music w/lyrics

Movie club with book club-read book first

Supports for Parents of ELs

Parent classes that are about English language

acquisition

Adult ESL @ other schools

Libraries have home clubs

Libraries have Adult ESL

Letting parents know they have the right to

request an interpreter

Activities for parents with their child

Incentives for children if parent attends school

workshops/Activities (HW pass, etc.)

Latino Family Literacy

Parenting classes (Triple P, Abriendo Puertas,

Devel.)

Workshops on community support

LTELs 7th/8th graders

Have previous El student talk to them-mentoring

Program

After school sports

Homework Club one to one

Camp-during a school break

Incentives for students

Sponsors-t-shirts for students

Celebration of Diversity, Language and Culture

What performances, celebration or other ways have you highlighted

Diversity

Language/Bilingualism

Culture

At your school site this year?

163 student's will be reclassified in 23 languages.

Can we showcase your students at our April 30th event?

Feedback from parents:

Jazz Band-Heritage Spanish Song

Celtic dancers/Irish dancing-3 yrs. ago at Bernal

Parkview-Ethiopian dancer

Stipe-Lunar year, black history

Mr. Friedman-upper graders-poster espress

Lion dance-6th graders Mr. Alamo

Stipe-2nd grader string dance

Slide show of languages

Small World Song

Amy went over the ELPAC Testing Details

Initial vs Summative

Please note that these dates are <u>tentative</u> as this the schedule may vary by site depending on the number and volume of testing needed. We have made every effort to schedule $3^{rd} - 6^{th}$ grade ELPAC testing prior to the Spring Break so that SBAC testing does not overlap for these students.

DATES	Grades Tested
Early to Mid Feb	5 th and 7th
Late Feb to Early March	6 th and 8th
Mid to Late March	3 rd and 4th
Early to Mid-April	1 st and 2nd
Late April to Early May	TK and K

Planning for next year academies from Title III funds.

Take a Practice Test with Your Child

From CA Department of Education

Practice Tests includes example test questions and directions for giving the practice test to students, can be found at

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https://www.elpac.org/resources/practicetest/

Amy made some suggestions on how parents can help their child prepare for the test. Parents are an important part of their child's education. Some things that you can do to help your child are:

- Read to your child, or have your child read to you, on regular basis.
- Have student do a practice test to be familiar with test.
- Use pictures and ask your child to tell you what he or she sees in the picture or what is happening in the picture.
- Provide your child with opportunities to use language outside of school.
- Talk with your child's teacher about your child's listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills to help support your child's progress.

Rahul suggested giving student's access to their accounts & website.

Amy shared ELPAC website. elpac.startingsmarter.org, for the practice test. It's user friendly. Around 10 questions on each domain. The amount of questions on each test depends on the grade level.

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 6:32PM.

Future DELAC meetings:

- Wednesday, April 1, 2020 (Boardroom)
- Wednesday, May13, 2020 (Boardroom)