

**OAK GROVE SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)**

February 3, 2021

Via Google Meet-5:00pm to 6:30pm

Amy Boles called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

**DELAC Representatives Present:**

- María Arellano@ Del Roble TWBI Rep and Del Roble Secretary
- Tony Carriles@ Edenvale Rep and Teacher and Del Roble Rep
- Vanessa Altamirano (Minser)@ Indigo
- Valeryanna Allemand@ Taylor
- Vinothini Pandurangan@ Baldwin
- \*Lynn Lam @ Ledesma
- \*Luz Vera@ Herman/STEM
- \*Marilu Padilla@ Del Roble
- \*Rahul Jain@ Santa Teresa
- \* Vira Khmelevsha@ Sakamoto

**Staff Present:**

- Amy Boles, Director of Educational Services
- Lauren Tilston, ELTP Edenvale
- \* Dr. Jamal Splane, Bernal Principal
- \* Alicia Wong, ELD IA Ledesma/Oak Ridge

**Guest Speakers:**

- Antonia Romo from Santa Clara Migrant Education Program
- Fernando Chavez from Santa Clara Migrant Education Program

Amy and María started the meeting with an activity to get to know each other as a group. Everyone shared which site they were representing, their children's name/grade and a favorite sport or activity.

María reviewed the Agenda and the meeting dates.

**DELAC Minutes**

María Arellano reviewed the date for the next two meetings. María asked representatives and staff present to review last month's minutes; no changes were made. Tony Carriles motioned to approve the minutes from the December 2nd meeting. Rahul Jain second the motion, all reps and staff present agreed.

We had Antonia Romo, Program Advocate from Santa Clara Migrant Education Program as a guest speaker. Fernando Chavez also from Santa Clara Migrant Education Program came in as an observer. Antonia is a Program Advocate/Recruiter for the Oak Grove School District, that helps fill out the applications for the families that qualify for the Migrant Education Program.

The Migrant Education Program provides Federal supplemental academic and health services for students that qualify. The families who qualify are families that have to travel to different towns to find work. Some of the eligible work includes: Dairy Cattle, Food and Meat packaging, Harvest, Fisheries, Nursery/Lumber, and they had to move within the last three years due to temporary or seasonal work. Oak Grove School District currently has 90 migrant students throughout the District. The students need to be traveling with the parent to qualify for the program. The students need to be between the ages of 3 to 22, and they haven't graduated High School in the United States. The Program doesn't require Social Security Number and it doesn't count as a Public Charge, the information is confidential. The contact information is: Antonia Romo, cell: 408-417-6958, [aromo@sccoe.org](mailto:aromo@sccoe.org)

Amy asked all the school reps to please share this information with the ELAC parents at their school sites. She also invited Antonia to attend a District Secretaries' meeting, so she can share this information with them, since they are the first point of contact in our schools.

**Title III Funding Update**

Amy updated the information regarding the schools and teacher grants.

Many schools have applied and have a plan on how to use the money. Some teachers have also applied for the mini grants and have some great ideas on how to use the money for their English Learners students. Amy asked if it was okay to extend the teacher application timeline to March, so more teachers can apply. It was approved.

### **Student Engagement Panel Discussion**

Amy had a question for the students, present at the meeting. “What are some new skills or knowledge that you’ve gained in distance learning?” Amy also had a question for the parents. “Describe a new skill you’ve witness your child gain during distance learning (not necessarily academic). What are some positive gains for your child during this time?”

Some students and parents shared their experiences.

Some parents expressed concerns regarding their students’ grades and recent conferences with their teachers. Others express concerns about their children not being at or approaching grade level in different areas.

Amy and some parents said to not just look at one assessment or one test, and think that the child is not learning. Amy asked parents to try to look at the child’s over all development and learning and if they still have concerns, to schedule a meeting with their child’s teacher.

Some of the children from the parent reps, talked about some of the skills they are gaining or fun things that they have done during distance learning. One child said that now she is learning Google slides, short cut keys and how to be a leader during breakout sessions. Another child is enjoying math and learning Flipgrid. A student from Bernal said he likes staying home and that Virtual PE is difficult because they don’t have all the equipment, he also enjoyed a “Halloween dance” and he is learning how to wake up early and time management skills. A little one from Kinder is learning typing thru a computer program called “Typing.com”. A parent is teaching her children house management skills like doing their own laundry. Another parent shared that her child is playing chess and is becoming very good at it. He is playing tournaments and he is the president of his school’s chess club. Her other child is playing tennis. All the students that participated will be receiving a book from Amy. She invited the children to come back next month to keep participating.

### **ELPAC Summative Assessment**

Last Spring, due to Shelter in Place and the school closures, not everyone received the Summative ELPAC test. Every year we have to do this assessment, because we want to see how their English language is developing. Research shows that it can take up to 5 to 6 years to be proficient in a new language. We have 2,000 EL students that will be receiving the ELPAC Summative assessment starting in March, and it will go from March to May. Each school will communicate via Parent Square with the parents of English Language Learners on the time line for testing. This year teachers will be helping with parts of the group testing as well. There is a website for ELPAC, you can find some good information there. The State test SBAC will also be given to students later in the year.

### **CABE 2021, March 23<sup>rd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

CABE is an annual conference for English Learners and Dual English Language Learning. This year will be a virtual conference. The District has budget to send some DELAC parents to the conference. Let Amy know if you are interested in attending. Look at their website CABE 2021 to see if you might be interested in attending all or some of the days. <https://cabe2021.gocabe.org/>

### **Chapter 3 of the English Learner Master Plan**

Amy asked parents to please review chapter 3 of the Master Plan. Amy explained the reclassification criteria. Students must obtain an overall level 4, teachers’ evaluation, parent opinion and K-3 should score at grade level on iReady, or grades 4-8 should Meet/Exceed standards on SBAC and/or at level/above grade level in iReady.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting ended at 6:28 PM.

### **Future DELAC meetings:**

Wednesday, March 3, 2021, 5-6:30, Via Google Meet

Wednesday, April 14, 2021, 5-6:30, location TBD