

San Bernardino City Unified School District
MULTILINGUAL PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT
District English Learners Advisory Committee

February 2, 2024

January 12, 2024 Meeting

1. DELAC officials present:

Rodolfina Gamino (President), Roxanna Cervantes (Vice President), Elizabeth Romero (Parliamentarian), Rosa Loera-virtually (DELAC Advisor), Les Ojeda (Elementary Director of MPD), and Tex Acosta (Secondary Director of MPD).

2. Opening:

Ms. Gamino welcomed everyone including district staff and opened the meeting at 9:45am.

3. DELAC Expectations:

Ms. Gamino discussed DELAC and parent expectations.

4. Standing Item Superintendent's Cabinet:

Dr. Arellano welcomed and wished everyone a happy new year. He assured that the board team is working on plans that will support student success for the years 2025-2030. Ms. Applegate greeted and wished a happy new year to all present.

5. Reflection/Motivational Words:

Ms. Rodolfina Gamino gave some motivational words to those present.

6. Attendance:

Ms. Roxanna Cervantes called school site attendance.

7. Minutes:

Ms. Cervantes read the minutes of the December 1, 2023 meeting. Ms. Claudia Barbosa and Mr. Daniel Chavez made a motion to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved by the committee members.

8. Safety Management:

Mr. Eric Vetere spoke about how he started in the San Bernardino School District as a dispatcher and officer at the age of 19. He clarified that the San Bernardino school district also includes other cities that are in San Bernardino County such as Devore, Rialto, and Highland. He then discussed the security plan and how it works in the schools. He explained how plans are decided in case of different emergencies in the schools. He gave directions, steps to follow, and places to go in case of an emergency. He

also shared that there are trainings offered to students where they can learn first aid. The transportation department is prepared in the event of an emergency to have its buses available to transport students. The San Bernardino school district has its own 24-hour emergency department which is ready to respond to emergencies regardless of the day or time. Mr. Vetere presented some of the most prominent emergencies in the region. For example, the San Andreas fault and the weather, which can be very hot or very cold. Because of this, the community may suffer from threats of flooding and landslides, power outages, and evacuations. The way the community can help is by being patient, communicating with the school, staying informed through Parent Square, following the district's social media channels, and keeping your students' emergency card up to date.

9. Accountability and Educational Technology:

Ms. Susana Keidel explained that the ELPAC (English Language Proficiency Assessments for California) test has two different tests that can be given to students. The first is the initial, which is to determine the level of support the English learner needs, and the second is the summative ELPAC, which measures the progress of the English learner. The ELPAC test can be taken between February 1 and May 31. There are online pages that offer more information, resources, and videos about the ELPAC test and a copy of the links were provided.

10. Inland Future Leaders:

Mr. José Velasco spoke about the Inland Empire Future Leaders program and shared that enrollment is open now through March 15th. The program will run from June 9th to June 14, 2024. Program requirements are that students are in grades 8 or 9, have a 2.5 GPA or better, have leadership potential, and have the COVID-19 vaccine. Volunteers are also being sought for the program who are graduates or are in grade 10 or 11 and the deadline for enrollment is February 2, 2024.

11. Closing:

Before concluding the meeting, Mr. Ojeda and Mr. Acosta recognized the DELAC committee officers. Mr. Ojeda also stated that there were 5 spaces remaining for CAFE in Anaheim from February 21-24, 2024. Ms. Gamino concluded the meeting at 11:34am.