YUBA COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

JOINT MEETING OF THE SUPERINTENDENTS' COUNCIL and OPERATION'S COUNCIL

February 26, 2025

Chairperson:	Rob Gregor Meeting facilitated by Lora Gonzalez – SELPA Director	
Members in Attendance:	Patrick Brose Jennifer Nelson for Becky Marsolais Chris Mahurin Jordan Reeves (Interim Supt.) Rob Gregor Jeff Roberts, Ed. D Craig Guensler Nicole Newman, Ed. D Louise Miller	Patrick Brose Jennifer Nelson Kimberly BentonWolfgram Rusty Gordon Dr. Kristen Nottle-Powell, Ed. D Toni Vernier Erin Oakes for Angela Gouker Lauren Link Louise Miller for Eve Domingo

Visitor in Attendance: Aaron Thornsberry, Halee Pomeroy, and Erin Oakes

Minutes

1.0 Call to Order

Lora Gonzalez called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Newman moved to begin and Superintendent Rob Gregor seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Lora Gonzalez also led the council in the pledge of allegiance.

2.0 Roll Call of Members of Superintendents' Council and Operations Council

2.1 Voting representatives for Superintendents' Council:

Patrick Brose – Camptonville Union Elementary School District
Jennifer Nelson for Becky Marsolais – California Montessori Project
Chris Mahurin – CORE Charter School
Jordan Reeves (Interim Supt.) – Marysville Joint Unified School District
Jeff Roberts, Ed. D – Plumas Lake Elementary School District
Craig Guensler – Wheatland School District
Nicole Newman, Ed. D – Wheatland Union High School District
Rob Gregor – Yuba County Office of Education
Louise Miller – YES Charter Academy

Absent:
Becky Marsolais – California Montessori Project

Voting representatives for Operation's Council:
Patrick Brose – Camptonville Union Elementary School District
Jennifer Nelson – California Montessori Project
Kimberly BentonWolfgram – CORE
Rusty Gordon – Marysville Joint Unified School District
Toni Vernier – Plumas Lake Elementary School District
Erin Oakes for Angela Gouker – Wheatland School District
Lauren Link – Wheatland Union High School District
Kristen Nottle-Powell, Ed. D – Yuba County Office of Education

Absent: Eve Domingo – YES Charter Academy

2.2 Recognition of Visitors

Lora Gonzalez welcomed Aaron Thornsberry, Jordan Reeves, Halee Pomeroy, and Erin Oakes as visitors to the meeting.

3.0 Public Comment (Non-Agenda and Agenda Items) to Come to the Attention of the SELPA Governance Council

No requests for public comment.

4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Approve Agenda of the February 26, 2025, Superintendents'/Operation's Council Meeting

Superintendent Rob Gregor moved to approve the agenda. Interim Superintendent Jordan Reeves seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was carried unanimously.

4.2 Approve Minutes from the January 22, 2025, Joint Superintendents'/Operations Council Meeting

Interim Superintendent Jordan Reeves moved to approve the minutes. Superintendent Nicole Newman seconded the motion to approve the meeting minutes of the January 22, 2025, Joint Superintendents'/Operations Council Meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

5.0 SELPA Finance

5.1 2025-26 Low Incidence Funding Allocation

Aaron Thornsberry and Lora Gonzalez provided a brief overview of the low incidence funding models that were shared in the January 22, 2025 meeting. After the specifics were discussed or the proposed models, Superintendent Dr. Jeff Roberts made a motion to adopt the 80/20 split model based on the District of Special Education Accountability model. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Newman seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5.2 2025-26 SEIS Billing

Lora Gonzalez and Aaron Thornsberry shared that there is an overall 12% increase to the SEIS billing for the next three-year contract with SEIS. They shared a model for the shared billing across the SELPA based on the price increase for services. Calculations were made using the February 3rd data pull of all students with an IEP or pending IEP. Each LEA is billed by the number of students they had in SEIS on that date as of the current year.

5.3 SELPA February Finance Report

Lora Gonzalez shared the State Special Education Funding Estimates handout with the council members. Lora Gonzalez indicated that the models found in were consistent with January's report.

5.4 SELPA Finance Committee Meeting – March 17, 2025

Lora Gonzalez reminded the council that the next SELPA Finance Meeting is March 17, 2025.

6.0 CDE Monitoring and Reporting Due Dates

Lora shared the following reporting due dates and stated she is contacting each member LEA regarding their Annual Determination Letters that were received at the beginning of the month.

6.1 Small Cyclical Monitoring – Due Feb. 28, 2025

Lora thanked CMP-Elk Grove, CORE Charter, Wheatland Charter Academy and YCOE for completing the Small Cycle B monitoring activities (policy/procedure review, student file reviews and the BASICS assessment.

6.2 IEP Implementation Monitoring

Lora Gonzalez reminded the Operation's Council that the training for the IEP Implementation was today at 1:00 p.m.

6.2.1 The monitoring window will be from March 3rd through April 30th.

6.2.2 The reporting window will be from May 1st through June 30th.
Lora encouraged members to make sure their staff were logging their service minutes in service tracker within SEIS.

7.0 LEA Updates

Camptonville – None at this time.

CORE Charter – None at this time.

California Montessori Project (CMP) – Jennifer Nelson reported that CMP has hired a new superintendent. They name is not yet public as they are awaiting clearance. The transition between the Interim Superintendent and new Superintendent will initiate next month. She inquired of the council if any member LEA in the SELPA had language in their teacher contracts about teacher compensation when their caseload caps had exceeded what was in education code. No response was given.

MJUSD – Rusty Gordon noted that kindergarten students in their extensive support needs preschool programs would be transitioning into the regional off-site programs operated by the Yuba County Office of Education.

PLESD – Dr. Jeff Roberts noted that growth is continuing in their district. He shared a situation that their district is currently navigating with a family that has a student in a non-public school based on a settlement agreement from a prior district's due process case. Rob Gregor inquired of the status of the NPS progress in Sutter County. Lora Gonzalez shared that the lease agreement has been sent to the Rising Star SPED Academy that will occupy Central Gaither Elementary School's campus and are

scheduled to open in the Fall. Grades 5-12 will be represented. No exact rates have been shared to date. Rusty Gordon stated that MJUSD will be shifting their students to Rising Star SPED Academy when it opens.

WSD – None at this time.

WUHSD – None at this time.

YCOE – Dr. Kristen Nottle-Powell shared that she did training in Autism for the Wheatland Union High School District. Lora Gonzalez shared that WUHSD contacted the SELPA and asked for training, and she connected them with YCOE's Paula Ramsay, BCBA for YCOE, as she is the CAPTAIN representative for the SELPA. She expressed appreciation to YCOE for their service to support WUHSD.

YES Charter – None at this time.

8.0 Professional Development

8.1 Emotional Disability and Assessment – Feb. 27, 2025

8.2 Gestalt Language Development and Natural Language Acquisition – March 17, 2025

8.3 AAC Foundations Training – March 24-25, 2025

8.4 Mindful Connections: Integrating Support for Autism and Mental Health – April 7, 2025

9.0 Adjournment

Superintendent Craig Guensler made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Superintendent Dr. Nicole Newman seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Joint Superintendents'/Operation's Council Meeting
March 26, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. – Wheatland School District, Tech Room.

Respectfully submitted,
Lora Gonzalez
SELPA Director, Yuba County Office of Education