

Marin County SELPA
Special Education Advisory Committee Agenda

March 9, 2022
10:00 am – 11:30 am
Interpreter available upon request
(48-hour notice is required)

1. Call to Order
2. Establishment of a Quorum
3. Public Comment
Government Code § 54954.3 provides that the public will have an opportunity to address the committee on any item described on a regular or special meeting agenda either before or during the consideration of the item. Per MCOE Board Policy 8566, each person shall limit comments to five (5) minutes.
4. Action Items
 - 4.1 Approval of Minutes from November 10, 2021 SEAC Meeting
 - 4.2 Approval of March 10, 2022 SEAC Agenda
 - 4.3 Approval of 2022 – 2023 SEAC Calendar
5. Member's Report
 - 5.1 Member's Report
6. Director's Report
 - 6.1 Alternative Dispute Resolution Activities
 - 6.2 SELPA Updates
7. New Business
 - 7.1 SEAC Member Nomination(s) – Standing Item(s)
 - 7.2 Review Draft Special Education Road Map Brochure
 - 7.3 Discuss Future Parent Education Opportunities
8. SEAC Recommendations to SELPA Governing Board
9. Agenda Items for May SEAC Meeting
10. Adjournment

Marin County SELPA
Special Education Advisory Committee (SEAC) Minutes

November 10, 2021
6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Interpreter available upon request
(48-hour notice is required)

Via Video Conference
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1. Call to Order

Keely Hamilton called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

2. Establishment of a Quorum

In attendance: Keely Hamilton, Alicia Ncho Oguie, Birgit Switenki, and Stacey Tachiki.

3. Public Comment

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There was no public comment.

4. Action Items

4.1 Approval of Minutes from September 22, 2021 SEAC Meeting

The September 22, 2021 SEAC meetings were presented for approval. The committee approved the minutes as presented.

Motion: Birgit Switenki

Second: Alicia Ncho Oguie

Carried: Unanimous

4.2 2021 – 2022 SELPA Goals

The Director presented the 2021 – 2022 SELPA SEAC goals for approval. The committee approved the goals as presented.

Motion: Birgit Switenki

Second: Alicia Ncho Oguie

Carried: Unanimous

5. Member's Report

5.1 Member's Report

Birgit Switenki, ASC Liaison, presented information to the committee from the October Advisory Steering Committee meeting. She also shared information regarding the SEAC parent workshop facilitated by Marc Purchin on November 8, 2021.

6. Director's Report

6.1 Marin County SELPA Risk Assessment Policy

The Director provided a historical overview regarding the SELPA's involvement in supporting its member LEAs for the past decade in work related to mental health, crisis response, and wellness. The Director shared that under the Marin County Suicide Prevention Strategic Plan, the School Based Suicide Risk Assessment Procedures were developed for Marin County LEAs. It is a unified approach to address suicide prevention. The document is a collaboration between the SELPA and multiple groups, including its member LEAs. The Director shared that the School Based Suicide Risk Assessment Procedures and additional resources will be made available on the MCOE website, in addition to school-based trainings. The recommendation made to the Operational Steering Committee is to adopt the policy with an implementation date of July 1, 2022, as this would give sufficient time to ensure all Marin County LEAs understand the policy and educators received the necessary training to implement the policy with fidelity.

6.2 Special Education Eligibility Roadmap: Update

The Director provided an update to the committee regarding the Special Education Eligibility Roadmaps. The English roadmaps are now posted on the Marin County SELPA website, and the roadmaps are in the process of being translated to Spanish, and then will be posted on the website. The SELPA is currently exploring means to move information to a tangible brochure or other tangible document.

6.3 Parent Education Series: Legal Series

The Director provided information regarding the scheduled four legal workshops for parents hosted by the Marin County SEAC. Each session will be facilitated by Mr. Corbin, General Counsel for School and College Legal Services of California. The Director shared that all workshops will be held virtually from 6-7 pm, except for the session in March, as it will be held from 12 – 1 pm. A translator will be made available for each session, and a flyer is available on the website and will be sent to districts after this meeting.

6.4 Special Education Programming: Adaptive Physical Education

The Director provided historical information and an update regarding special education programming specific to Adapted Physical Education (APE) in Marin County. The Director shared that the current number of students requiring APE services or APE assessments is greater than last year, and LEAs are struggling to identify a highly qualified provider. The SELPA is taking an active role to support its member LEAs with the delivery of APE services by contacting local state colleges and university to advertise the current need and anticipate needs for next year, meeting with college and university representatives, attending an APE conference, and contacting

nonpublic agencies. Additionally, the SELPA is exploring a shared contract for LEAs with a current need while exploring a potential regionalized APE model for the next school year. The MCOE has indicated an interest in piloting regionalized APE service delivery in the 2022-2023 school year.

6.5 2021 – 2022 Marin County SELPA Goals

The Director presented the 2021 – 2022 Marin County SELPA goals. The SELPA will be focusing on the following three (3) areas: Conflict Resolution, Professional Development, and Fiscal Management.

7. New Business

7.1 SEAC Member Nomination(s) – Standing Item(s)

The Director presented the Marin County SELPA Special Education Advisory Committee nominee from the Ross School District for consideration. The nominee is Ashely Wood, a parent of two students in Ross School District. The committee agreed to move the nomination forward to the Advisory Steering Committee.

7.2 SEAC Meeting Format: Spring 2022

The Director reviewed information regarding the Governor's Executive Order N-15-21 and AB 361 specific to the means in which a public agency holds a meeting under emergency circumstances. The Director explained the responsibilities of the committee under AB 361 when considering a change in the means a public meeting is held. The committee discussed the information and the circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic and agreed to meet in person. The committee agreed to hold the March SEAC meeting at 10:00 am on March 10th at the Marin County Office of Education.

7.2 Parent Education Opportunities: Updates and Next Steps

The committee reviewed the scheduled parent education workshops for this school year and discussed additional topics that parents may have an interest in learning more about. The committee agreed to explore workshop opportunities that address positive behavioral programming and transition planning for the spring.

8. SEAC Recommendations to SELPA Governing Board

There were no recommendations.

9. Agenda Items for March SEAC Meeting

The committee would like to further explore parent education opportunities at the next meeting.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:04 pm.

Motion: Birgit Switenki

Second: Stacey Tachiki

Carried: Unanimous

Special Education Advisory Committee
(9:30 am – 11:00 am)

July 2022 Dark	August 2022 Dark	September 21, 2022 @ MCOE	October 2022 Dark	November 9, 2022 @ MCOE	December 2022 Dark
January 2023 Dark	February 2023 Dark	March 8, 2023 @ MCOE	April 2023 Dark	May 10, 2023 @ MCOE	June 2023 Dark

ADR ACTIVITIES

July 2021-February 2022

MARIN COUNTY SELPA



ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

The Marin County SELPA is responsible for implementing ADR activities to respond to and resolve conflicts and concerns regarding the implementation of special education support and services.

TOP ADR ACTIVITIES



Phone Consult

Talking through a conflict and connecting to resources



Facilitated IEP

Neutral facilitation permits the parent and the member LEA to focus on the meeting and outcomes



Local Mediation

Neutral mediator unpacks the conflict and helps to identify a solution everyone can agree to support



PHONE CONSULT

Discussions provide an opportunity for a family or member school district to express concerns related to the implementation of special education services and better understand applicable Education Code, local policies, and work to identify next steps to resolve concerns.

32 Sessions



IEP MEETING

With a SELPA developed meeting agenda collaboratively created in advance, a SELPA team member will help to guide the meeting including all discussions, supporting the IEP team with making and documenting decisions, effectively managing conflict (as needed), and confirming any areas of IEP team agreement.

12 Meetings



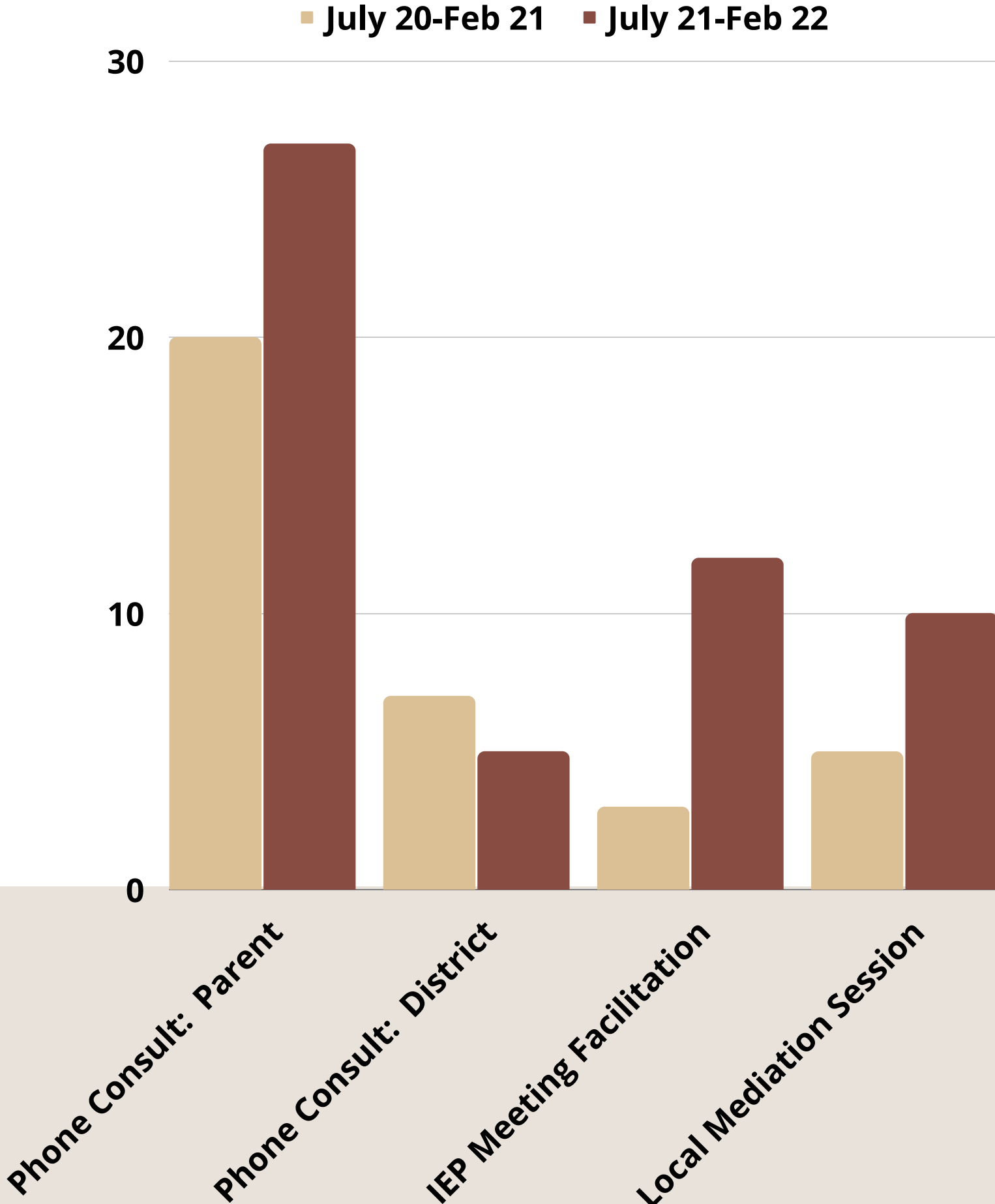
LOCAL MEDIATION

Neutral conflict resolution done at the local level to support the reduction of due process filings and/or State complaints. All local mediation sessions are confidential and completely voluntary for both the family and the school district. If an agreement is reached, the assigned mediator drafts an agreement that is signed by both parties and then implemented.

10 Sessions

ADR ACTIVITIES

20-21 vs. 21-22



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

IEP Meetings

IEP Teams

Special Education Law

Mediation



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A D R

80%
RESOLUTION RATE

The Marin County SELPA is committed to supporting families and its member local educational agencies to solve problems and resolve conflicts through the Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) process.