YUBA COUNTY SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

OPERATIONS COUNCIL MEETING

February 26, 2024

Chairperson:	Lora Gonzalez	
Members in Attendance:	Kimberly BentonWolfgram	Eve Domingo
	Angela Gouker	Lauren Link
	Shevaun Mathews	Kristen Nottle-Powell
	Joanna Pastor (virtual)	Toni Vernier
Others in Attendance:	Oscar Aviles, Goalbook (virtual)	
	Erin Oakes, Wheatland School District (virtual)	

Minutes

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m.

2.0 Roll Call of Members of Operations Council

Joanna Pastor - California Montessori Project
No representative in attendance - Camptonville Union Elementary School District
Kimberly BentonWolfgram - CORE Charter School
Shevaun Mathews - Marysville Joint Unified School District
Toni Vernier - Plumas Lake Elementary School District
Angela Gouker - Wheatland Elementary School District
Lauren Link - Wheatland Union High School District
Eve Domingo - YES Charter Academy
Kristen Nottle-Powell - Yuba County Office of Education

3.0 Recognition of Visitors

The following visitors participated in the meeting:
Oscar Aviles, Goalbook (virtual)
Erin Oakes, Wheatland School District (virtual)

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

No public comments came to the attention of the council.

5.0 Goalbook Demonstration

Oscar Aviles from Goalbook presented virtually at the request of Joanna Pastor and Lauren Link. The link to the presentation was attached to the agenda. Goalbook is a software program to "Build teacher capacity to design and implement specialized, standards-aligned instruction". Goalbook provides legally defensive goals by using software to align present levels, assessments, strategies and supports to state standards.

The link to the Partnerships Goalbook Toolkit Overview 2024 is: https://vimeo.com/912727596/ab6c1df79e?share=copy

The link to sign up for a two-week free trial is: https://goalbookapp.com/accounts/users/sign_up/toolkit

6.0 Low Incidence Budget

The 2023-24 Low Incidence Budget was attached to the agenda. The current budget balance is $1,693.03.

Lora reminded the Council that Superintendents previously voted to use 85% of the allocated Low Incidence funds to cover staffing costs for the Visually Impaired Program leaving 15% to use for equipment purchases. She encouraged Special Education Directors to talk to their Superintendents about having more funds available for Low Incidence student equipment needs.

7.0 SELPA Forms Update: Appointment of Educational Representative by Parent

The October 13, 2022 draft Appointment of Educational Representative by Parent form was attached to the agenda. All districts are having trouble obtaining surrogate parents to assist special education students with IEP support and document signature.

Toni Vernier moved, Eve Domingo seconded to approve the Appointment of Educational Representative by Parent form. The motion carried unanimously.

This form should only be used as a last resort.

If you find someone who would like to be a surrogate parent, Lora can provide the 45-minute training.

8.0 LEA Updates

Lauren Link shared that WUHSD is expanding their co-teaching approach to education.

Shevaun Mathews shared that MJUSD continues to work through the process of loading courses into Aeries regarding the alternative pathway to a diploma requirements. She also stated that MJUSD continues to work on transitions and program transfers.

Angela Gouker shared that WSD is experiencing a high number of student intake. 22 of the last 24 students entering the district have IEPs or wrap around services.

Toni Vernier shared that PLESD is hoping the school bonds on the ballot will be approved and that the site-plan for their fourth school is complete.

Kristen Nottle-Powell shared that YCOE is working on 2024-25 program planning. There will be a bubble of students moving into the $4^{th}/5^{th}$ grade level. An additional classroom may be needed.

Eve Domingo stated that YES Charter is expanding into high school grade levels and will be open to 9th graders next school year.

Kimberly BentonWolfgram shared that CORE Charter School continues to look for special education teachers.

Joanna Pastor shared that CMP continues to look for in-person SLPs. Parents are complaining about virtual SLPs.

9.0 2024-25 SELPA Local Plan: Annual Services Plan Timelines

9.1 Section D: Annual Budget Plan - Submit MOE Exemptions to LEA Fiscal by March 8, 2024

Lora reminded the Council to continue to look for MOE exemptions to assist in lowering MOE. Exemptions include staff retirements and exits of high-cost students. Lora also stated that when working on 2024-25 caseload planning, work with CBOs on expenditure projections.

9.2 Section E: Annual Services Plan - Review Current Services in SEIS by March 15, 2024

A SEIS download showing current special education services provided in Yuba County was linked to the agenda. Please review for accuracy within your district.

10.0 Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program Grant RFA: Due March 15, 2024

The IEEEP Grant RFA is due on March 15, 2024. This is a four-year term grant with limited ways to use the funds.

11.0 CDE Monitoring

11.1 2024 Annual Determination Letters Coming March 2024

Districts will be receiving Determination Letters sometime in March.

11.2 SPED Personnel Data Report Update: Due March 28, 2024

The Special Education Personnel Data Report is due to CDE by March 28, 2024. Please submit to Lora prior to that date.

11.3 Overdue Plan Review and Reevaluation Meetings Report - CALPADS 16.21

CALPADS report 16.21 has been shared with district data staff. Lora recommended that CALPADS uploads are completed weekly.

12.0 California Dashboard: LRE Data

The CDE website for Special Education Data was linked to the agenda. Lora recommended to double check "percentage of time in general/special education" section of the IEPs, especially for speech only students.

13.0 Requests for Training

Several trainings were suggested including:

- Trauma informed practices
- AAC
- Case manager training

14.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

NEXT MEETING:

Joint Superintendents'/Operations Council Meeting
March 18, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.
Wheatland School District - Tech Room

Respectfully submitted,
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