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District English Learner Advisory Committee (**DELAC**) MINUTES

Date: March 2, 2026
Time: 3:30 P.M.

Location: KCUSD Community Learning Center

Type of Meeting: District English Learner Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Facilitator: Veleda Oltjenbruns, Parent Engagement Coordinator

Chairperson - Claudia Angulo

Secretary - Karen Jauregui

I. Welcome and Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:34 P.M. by Mrs. Angulo

II. District & School Representative Introductions

DAC Attendees:

Claudia Angulo (Parent, KCHS) Floribel Gonzalez (Parent, OCHS) Estrella Romero (Parent, RHS) Dalia Chavez (Parent, Washington) Marcos Rios (Parent, Jefferson) Jhoana Villalobos (Parent, Alta) Leticia Diaz (Parent, Lincoln) Alondra Garcia (Parent, Lincoln) Paula Estrada (Parent, Grant) Karen Jauregui (Parent, Silas Bartsch) Roberto Cervantes (Parent, AL Conner) Cristal Angulo (Guardian, Citrus) Alma Gonzalez (Parent, Navelencia) Fatima Hernandez (Parent, TL Reed) Josefina Banda (Secretary, Migrant Education) Jean Brletic (EL Coordinator, SSC) Rosy Hernandez (BCA, Migrant Education) Norma Murillo (Migrant Coordinator, Migrant Education) Noe Mendoza (Learning Director, Adult School) Ron Pack (Educational Programs Administrator, ESC) Maria Elena Velasco (Administrator Assistant, ESC) Jose Guzman (Assistant Superintendent, ESC) Veleda Oltjenbruns (Parent Engagement Coordinator, ESC) Shaun Rodriguez (Director of Fiscal Services, ESC)

III. Agenda Review

Parents introduced themselves at their table and reviewed the agenda. No additions or changes were made.

Jose Guzman, Assistant Superintendent, and Shaun Rodriguez, Director of Fiscal Services, were welcomed.

V. Approval of Minutes from December 8, 2025

Motion to approve minutes from previous meeting - Johana Villalobos

Seconded by - Paula Estrada

All in favor - Yes

VI. Spring Saturday Academic Language Academy

Jean Brletic, EL Coordinator, provided an overview of the Saturday Academy Language Academy that just concluded this year. The program ran four Saturdays and an additional Saturday of professional training for teachers. SALA was offered at Alta, TL Reed, and McCord, with about 200 students who participated. Students were provided with transportation, breakfast, and lunch. The program focused on learning about national parks while developing their language skills through engaging, interactive activities, such as a student book, which will be given to them on Children's Day.

A parent asked who selects the topics for the Winter SALA program. In response, Mrs. Brletic explained that topics are selected based on parent surveys collected during the Puente program, and parents are also encouraged to share additional suggestions.

A question was raised regarding how the students are selected for the SALA program. Mrs. Brletic explained that all students are welcome; however, permission slips are primarily sent to those who scored level 1 or 2 on the ELPAC. Any student may attend with a teacher recommendation or a parent request. Parents may contact their school to request a permission slip if their student did not receive one and would like to participate. Mrs. Brletic shared that information for next year's program will be distributed in December.

VIII. Migrant Program - Mini Conference and Speech & Debate

Norma Murillo, Migrant Education Program Coordinator, provided an update on the Migrant Program and recent activities. A Mini-Conference was held last Saturday, February 28, 2026, at Grant Middle School, with over 225 attendees. The event included entertainment, community resources, student activities, parent and student workshops, and guest speakers. Mrs. Murillos also shared upcoming events. A group of 23 students in grades 6-12 will participate in a Speech and Debate Competition at Fresno City College. Saturday Academy will continue through the end of March, and students who attend all sessions will participate in a field trip on April 11, 2026. Also, a Mobile Clinic will be held at Grand Middle School from 12:00 PM to 4:00 PM, offering free vision and physical exams for the community.

X. Children's Day

Veleda Oltjenbruns, Parent Engagement Coordinator, provided an overview of the Children's Day celebration, which is one of KCUSD's largest events honoring students, culture, and

achievements. Mrs. Oltjenbruns noted that this event began about eight years ago, based on input from the DELAC committee, and welcomed over 2000 attendees last year. This year, Children's Day will be held on April 30, 2026, at OCHS.

Mrs. Oltjenbruns clarified, in response to a question regarding whether the students will be recognized based on last year's or this year's EL performance, that recognition will be based on last year's achievements. Mrs. Oltjenbruns also shared that additional information about the event will be provided in the coming weeks.

Josefina Banda, Migrant Secretary, shared that transportation will be available for families, with three pick-up and drop-off locations at TL Reed, Jefferson, and Washington.

Claudia Angulo, DELAC Chairperson, shared that Citrus Middle School hosted a meeting with administrators from Clovis, Dinuba, and Kearman Unified School Districts. Mrs. Angulo noted that principals expressed interest in KCUSD's programs and family engagement opportunities. Mrs. Angulo encouraged parents to continue providing input and feedback, emphasizing the importance of parent involvement and its positive impact.

Mrs. Oltjenbruns invited parents to participate in the upcoming LCAP Community Input Meeting that will take place this Wednesday at 6:00 PM at RHS.

IX. Reedley College Ag Tech Programs

Jerry Gomez, AgTech Counselor at Reedley College, presented information about the AgTech Program, which consists of five courses designed for individuals working in agriculture. The program includes basic technical skills, pesticide education, basic machinery operation and safety, and resume and interview support. Mr. Gomez noted that instruction is primarily in English, with some courses also offered in Spanish. The program is free for students. Mr. Gomez encouraged parents to share this information with potential students interested in the program.

A parent asked about the migration requirements for enrollment in the program. In response, Mr. Gomez clarified that migration status is not required.

A parent also asked about the class schedule. Mr. Gomez shared that classes begin in August at Reedley College, and some classes are also offered on Saturdays.

A discussion was held regarding posting this information on ParentSquares to ensure other parents are aware of the program. It was suggested, by a parent, that the information be shared with each school council. Mrs. Oltjenbruns clarified that any information must be reviewed before being shared outside the district.

A parent asked about non-credit classes. Mr. Gomez shared that Reedley College offers no-pass classes, which are free and have varying schedules.

X. Adult Education Opportunities

Noe Mendoza, Learning Director at Kings Canyon Adult School, shared information on programs available for adults. These include CTE, High School Diploma, and English as a Second Language. ESL classes are free for adults 18 years and older and require a placement test; classes are offered in Reedley and Orange Cove in the morning and afternoon. The High School Diploma program requires 170 credits, and credits from other high schools, including those from other countries, may be accepted upon review. CTE courses such as Medical Terminology, EMT, Welding, Culinary Arts, Entrepreneurship, and HVAC, Wildland Firefighting, and CNA, have a small fee or require payment for state certification exams. The Adult School is accredited by WASC. More information is available through the Adult School office or website.

A parent asked if a high school diploma is required to enroll and where the office is located. Mr. Mendoza clarified that participants must be 18 years or older, no diploma is required for enrollment, and the office is in Reedley. Mr. Mendoza also noted that if participants are interested in CTE courses, similar classes are offered in nearby cities.

A parent also asked whether CTE classes are offered only in English. Mr. Mendoza shared that CNA, Heavy Equipment, and Firefighting courses are offered with translation support, while all other courses are taught in English.

XI. Survey - Parent Input

Parents were invited to attend the upcoming LCAP Community input meeting on March 4 at Reedley High School.

A parent also asked whether the presentation could be available. Mr. Gomez said the flyers distributed may be shared with others. Mrs. Angulo also suggested posting the flyer on social media.

The next DELAC meeting will be on May 4, instead of May 6, 2026. Correction made to the agenda.

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn - Karen Jauregui

Seconded by - Alondra Garcia

All in favor- Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 5:01 P.M.