

**North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area
Superintendent Cabinet
Minutes of Meeting August 23, 2024**

Location/Time: North Orange County SELPA Office / 1:30 p.m.

In Attendance:

Dr. Steve McLaughlin, Superintendent, Fullerton Joint Union High School District, and
Chairperson of the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet
Dr. Julianne Lee, Superintendent, Buena Park School District
Dr. Robert Pletka, Superintendent, Fullerton School District
Dr. Mario Carlos, Superintendent, La Habra City School District
Mr. Jim Coombs, Superintendent, Lowell Joint School District
Mr. David Giordano, Associate Superintendent, Division of Administrative Services, Orange
County Department of Education
Mrs. Analee Kredel, Associate Superintendent, Educational Programs Division, Orange
County Department of
Education
Dr. Robin Gilligan, Director, North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area

I. Call to Order:

Superintendent Dr. Steve McLaughlin called to order the North Orange County (NOC) Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) Superintendent Cabinet Meeting at 1:36 p.m.

II. Approval of the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Meeting Agenda for August 23, 2024.

The NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Meeting Agenda for August 23, 2024 was presented.

A motion to approve the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Meeting Agenda for August 23, 2024 was initiated by Dr. Robert Pletka. Mr. Jim Coombs seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried.

III. Open Session:

Superintendent Dr. Steve McLaughlin called for any communication from the public. No communication from the public was provided.

IV. Action Item(s):

1.0 Approval of the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Minutes of Meeting May 24, 2024.

The North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Cabinet Minutes of Meeting May 24, 2024 were presented for approval.

A motion to approve the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Minutes of Meeting March 28, 2024 was initiated by Dr. Robert Pletka. Mr. Jim Coombs seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried.

V. Discussion/Information Item(s):

2.0 NOC SELPA 2023-2024 Regionalized Services and Mental Health Reserves

This information is prepared following the close of books for the previous fiscal year and will be distributed to the NOC SELPA member LEAs in accordance with the approved NOC SELPA funding model.

Reserve balances will be shared with all NOC SELPA member LEAs once the final totals are confirmed by the Orange County Department of Education Fiscal Services Department.

3.0 Special Education IDEA Mental Health Allowable Costs Presentation

Dr. Robin Gilligan shared the California Department of Education's presentation on Special Education IDEA Mental Health allowable costs. There were no questions or feedback.

4.0 NOC SELPA Professional Development for Member LEAs Status Update

Dr. Robin Gilligan shared that the NOC SELPA staff have been providing training across our member LEAs in the areas of:

- Crisis prevention and de-escalation strategies
- Special Education Information System (SEIS)
- Behavior management and functional behavior analysis
- Instructional Assistant on-boarding and training
- Behavior strategies for student success

5.0 NOC SELPA 2024-2025 Directors and Business Officials Meeting Dates

The 2024-2025 NOC SELPA Directors and Business Officials Council meeting dates were shared. There were no questions or feedback.

6.0 NOC SELPA 2024-2025 Community Advisory Committee (CAC) Presentations and Members

The 2024-2025 NOC SELPA CAC presentation dates and member list were shared. The NOC SELPA Behavior Coordinator will give the first presentation on September 12, 2024.

There was a request for a copy of the sign-in sheet/registrant list from last year's CAC presentations, which will be provided.

7.0 2024-2025 NOC SELPA Staff Members

The current list of NOC SELPA staff members was shared, and Dr. Gilligan noted that the NOC SELPA is in the process of filling the positions of Coordinator and Educational Audiologist.

8.0 Above and Beyond Award Celebration Date

The 2025 NOC SELPA Above and Beyond Award Celebration will be held on April 23, 2025 at the Buena Park Community Center.

Input regarding recipients for this year is welcomed. As the year progresses, Superintendents are encouraged to note any staff that they would like to nominate for this award and share those recommendations with Dr. Gilligan.

9.0 NOC SELPA Member Report or LEA Information Sharing

The Fullerton Joint Union High School District has welcomed a new Director of Special Education, Paul Valerio.

Several Superintendents expressed appreciation for the recent trainings provided by the NOC SELPA.

The Orange County Department of Education ACCESS and Connections programs are now under the new Educational Programs Division and will be overseen by Associate Superintendent Mrs. Analee Kredel, who previously served as the Chief of Special Education Services. Additional updates on the ACCESS and Connections programs were also shared.

It was confirmed that the NOC SELPA Local Plan has been updated to indicate that the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Chairperson will serve a two-year term based on the rotation schedule outlined in Item 2 of Local Plan Section B.

VI. Closed Session

A. NOC SELPA Director Evaluation

The closed session began at 2:19 p.m. The 2024-2025 goals for the NOC SELPA Director evaluation were shared and agreed upon.

The closed session was adjourned at 2:30 p.m, and the public session was reopened at 2:31 p.m.

VII. Suggested Items for Next Agenda

No additional items were suggested.

VIII. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn the August 23, 2024 NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet meeting was initiated by Dr. Mario Carlos. Dr. Robert Pletka seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:32 p.m.