

FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT DISTRICT ENGLISH LEARNER ADVISORY COMMITTEE (DELAC)

FOURTH DELAC MEETING 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR FARBER PROFESSIONAL LEARNING CENTER THURSDAY, MAY 21, 2026 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM Minutes

1.	5:00 PM – 5:20 PM	Welcome and Special Message	Carmen Galvez, DELAC Chairperson Erica Piedra, Executive Officer, English Learner Services
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Mrs. Carmen Galvez, DELAC Chairperson, called the meeting to order at **5:01 PM** and she introduced Mrs. Erica Piedra, who welcomed attendees, informed families about the babysitting services and information center, and reviewed the meeting norms. Mrs. Galvez then welcomed everyone and expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to lead her first DELAC meeting as Chairperson. **Mrs. Eva Alvarado, DELAC Vice Chairperson**, introduced herself, welcomed attendees, and thanked everyone for participating in her first DELAC meeting as Vice Chairperson. **Mrs. Roberta Meneses, DELAC Secretary**, introduced herself and explained that her responsibilities include taking notes and supporting the preparation of the meeting minutes. **Mrs. Arlene Gonzalez, DELAC Sergeant at Arms**, introduced herself and reviewed the meeting norms for the evening. She also explained the oral communication procedures, including that questions would be held until the end of each presentation and that anyone unable to ask a question during a presentation would have an opportunity to do so during the Open Forum portion of the meeting. **Mrs. Maria Natali Jardon, DELAC Honor and Justice**, expressed her appreciation for the DELAC community and shared that this would be her final meeting because her term had ended. She reviewed the District's Civility Policy, which would guide the conduct of the meeting. Finally, Mrs. Galvez reminded all DELAC representatives that they are responsible for sharing information from the meeting with their respective schools and parent communities. Mrs. Alvarado then asked all DELAC representatives to raise their school representative cards so attendance could be counted. A total of **28** DELAC representatives were present, establishing a quorum.

2.	5:20 PM – 5:30 PM	Minutes for DELAC #3 meeting held at Farber Educational Campus February 26, 2026	Roberta Meneses, DELAC Secretary
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Mrs. Roberta Meneses reviewed the process to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Everyone present was reminded that the minutes were sent to the representatives' homes for review. Mrs. Meneses also informed parents present that Minutes would be available on the website of the Department for English Learners Services under the DELAC link. There were no changes made to the minutes.

1st motion to approve Minutes – **Griselda Rojas**, (DELAC Representative - **Norseman** Elementary)

2nd motion to approve Minutes – **Arlyn Rivas**, (DELAC Representative - **Burroughs** Elementary)

All members voted to approve the minutes from the previous DELAC meeting held on February 26, 2026.

3.	5:30 PM – 5:45 PM	Public Hearing on the Draft Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP): 2026/27	Miguel Vega, Program Manager, Ashlee Chiarito, Executive Officer, Department of State and Federal Programs
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Mrs. Alvarado introduced **Mr. Miguel Vega** from the **Department of State and Federal Programs**.

Mr. Vega began by reviewing the Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP) Planning and Engagement Timeline. He described the various meetings, activities, and opportunities for community input that took place throughout the school year to help inform the development of the LCAP. Mr. Vega then presented key investments proposed for the 2026–2027 school year. He explained that planned investments focus on school safety, student nutrition, mental and physical health, staff support, and academic achievement. He also reviewed specific actions within each of these focus areas and the funding allocated to support them. Next, Mr. Vega provided an overview of the Local Control Funding Formula (LCFF), including the Base Grant, Supplemental Grant, and Concentration Grant funding sources that support district programs and services. He shared a website link and QR code that families can use to access LCAP documents and resources, including the LCAP Parent Guide. Mr. Vega informed attendees that the LCAP Public Hearing is scheduled for June 3, 2026, and that the FUSD Board of Education is expected to consider adoption of the LCAP and District Budget on June 17, 2026. Mr. Vega concluded by providing his contact information and reminding attendees that his office can always be reached through the Let's Talk communication platform.

4.	5:45 PM – 6:00 PM	Consolidated Application 2026/27, Spring Publication	Miguel Vega, Program Manager, Ashlee Chiarito, Executive Officer, Department of State and Federal Programs
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Mr. Vega continued his presentation by providing an overview of the Consolidated Application and its connection to programs and services for English Learners. He reviewed the categorical funds that support English Learners and explained that the Consolidated Application consists of both a Spring and Winter submission process. Mr. Vega then presented a summary of the funds and programs available to support English Learners throughout the District. He explained that these funds help provide services and resources such as English Learner Services, school site allocations to support English Learners, the expansion of Dual Language Immersion programs, and secondary English Language Development (ELD) classes. At the conclusion of the presentation, Mr. Vega provided an opportunity for attendees to ask questions and receive clarification regarding the information presented.

Griselda Rojas, (DELAC Representative at **Norseman** Elementary School) - Would like tutoring for ELs beginning at Kinder as it existed before. Mr. Vega stated that this is exactly the feedback that can be provided and considered in actions for next school year.

5.	6:00 PM – 6:15 PM	English Learner Services Updates: Data and Other Updates • Reclassification Data • Department/District Updates • Important Parent Reminders	Erica Piedra, Executive Officer, English Learner Services
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Mrs. Galvez introduced Mrs. Erica Piedra, who provided updates from English Learner Services. Mrs. Piedra began her presentation by reviewing the District's Goals and Guardrails. She then shared current English Learner data, including **11,167** English Learners, **3,281** Long-Term English Learners, **1,141** Migrant Education students, and **5,142** students enrolled in Dual Language Immersion (DLI) programs. Mrs. Piedra also reviewed current reclassification data. As of the 2025–2026 school year, a total of **1,284** students had been reclassified as Fluent English Proficient, representing nearly a **12%** reclassification rate. She noted that additional students may be eligible for reclassification before the end of the school year as new Summative ELPAC results become available, and students meet both the English language proficiency and basic skills criteria. Mrs. Piedra informed attendees about upcoming changes to Online Student Registration and Emergency Card updates for the 2026–2027 school year. Both processes will be completed electronically, and school sites will provide support for families who need assistance with online registration or updating emergency contact information. She also shared information about the K–2 Reading Screener, which is designed to identify reading difficulties early and ensure students receive timely and appropriate support. Mrs. Piedra explained that parents of students in kindergarten through second grade would receive a ParentSquare notification on May 29 regarding the reading screener. In addition, Mrs. Piedra highlighted a multilingual program resource developed by GO Public Schools and encouraged families to review the information to learn more about available language program options. Mrs. Piedra concluded by reminding parents about summer school and summer camp opportunities available to support English Learner students throughout the summer.

6.	6:15 PM – 6:30 PM	DELAC Elections for Honor and Justice	Jackie Huerta, Community Relations Liaison Spanish, English Learner Services Carmen Galvez, DELAC Chairperson
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Mrs. Alvarado introduced Mrs. Huerta, who facilitated the DELAC Elections process. Quorum was counted again with a total of **38** DELAC Representatives present at the time of elections. Mrs. Huerta began by reviewing the requirements and responsibilities of DELAC members, with a specific focus on the role of Honor and Justice. She then introduced the candidates for the **Honor and Justice** position: Virgen Leon, Miriam Avalos, and Stephania Figueroa. Each candidate was given an opportunity to address the audience and share their interest in serving as the next DELAC Honor and Justice officer. (Note: Candidate Nora Jardon was not present and therefore was forfeited from the elections). Following the candidate presentations, members of the Election Committee were invited to the front of the meeting room to assist with the election process. Election Committee members distributed ballots to eligible voting members. Once voting was completed, the ballots were collected, counted, and tallied in view of all attendees to ensure transparency in the election process.

Honor and Justice Election results

Virgen Leon (DELAC Representative – Lane Elementary) = **10** votes

Miriam Avalos (DELAC Representative – Hidalgo Elementary) = **22** votes

Stephania Figueroa (DELAC Representative – Norseman Elementary) = **6** votes

Miriam Avalos was elected as new **DELAC Honor and Justice Officer**

7.	6:30 PM – 6:45 PM	DELAC 2025-2026 Recognitions	Erica Piedra, Executive Officer, English Learner Services Jackie Huerta, Community Relations Liaison Spanish, English Learner Services
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Mrs. Galvez introduced Mrs. Erica Piedra and Jackie Huerta from EL Services. Mrs. Piedra took the opportunity to recognize various DELAC members and Representatives. Mrs. Piedra also recognized and thanked various presenters throughout the year that came to present information to the DELAC committee during the 2025-2026 school year. She recognized the entire DELAC Board for their hard work and planning in leading the DELAC meetings. Mrs. Maria Natali Jardon was also recognized for her service as her term ended at this meeting. All DELAC Representatives were also recognized for their dedication and presence at each DELAC meeting this school year.

8.	6:45 PM – 7:00 PM	Open Forum and End of Meeting	Carmen Galvez, DELAC Chairperson
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Mrs. Alvarado stated that it was time for the Open Forum. Parents had the opportunity to come up with any comments or questions they may have.

Cindy Vargas, (DELAC Representative - **Lane** Elementary) She expressed concern that students are unhappy and uncomfortable eating under staff supervision in the cafeteria due to the way they are treated. She has submitted her concern to the school and wants to know if there was follow up. **[A: Mrs. Piedra replied that we can follow up with the school but encouraged her to continue bringing that to their attention.]**

Octaviana Gonzalez, (DELAC Representative - **Sunset** Elementary) - Recommended that all NTAs receive training. Is concerned about field trips being cut. She would like an update. **[A: Mrs. Piedra replied that we will forward this recommendation for NTA training.]**

Hilda Galaviz - (DELAC Representative - **Herrera** Elementary) - Gave a recommendation for all present regarding the importance of completing the surveys that Mr. Vega spoke about. If more parents provide feedback and their voice is heard, it will benefit all students.

Miriam Avalos - (DELAC Representative - **Hidalgo** Elementary), Recommends training for both parents and students around E-bikes because of the potential dangers of these bikes.

America Cabrales Garcia - (Parent at **Roeding** Elementary), Wants more communication for ELAC meetings at Roeding. Does not feel there is sufficient communication from the school site. Also wants more mental health support for students at Roeding.

Closing of the meeting

1st motion, **Miriam Avalos**, (DELAC Representative - **Hidalgo** Elementary)

2nd motion, **Eileen Jane Giron**, (DELAC Representative - **Greenberg** Elementary),

The DELAC meeting closed at **7:02 PM**