

SHASTA COUNTY SELPA
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

January 17, 2024
Meeting Minutes

SELPA CONFERENCE ROOM
3570 Rancho Road, Ste. 9; Redding, CA 96002

1. Robert Brown, CAC Chairman, called the meeting to order at 10:32 am.

Community Advisory Committee member roll call:

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| ● Sarah Spencer, Chairperson | Present |
| ● Brandie Ryan, Treasurer | Present |

Others present were:

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| ● Christian Patz, SELPA Executive Director | ● Susan Hayes, Rowell Family Emp. |
| ● Kristin Sigurdson, SELPA BCBA | ● Susan Putnam, Far Northern Reg. Center |
| ● James Glover, SELPA Spt. Svcs. Cons. | ● Kacie Sanders, Far Northern Reg. Center |
| ● Lisa Bocast, Parent | ● Suz Crane, Fall River JUSD, Workability |
| ● Patty Mayer, Parent | ● Geralyn Elliott, Shasta UHSD Workability |
| | ● Lelanie Jeffcoat, Shasta UHSD Workability |

2. Additions or Corrections to Agenda

Discussion: None.

3. Approval of Agenda

Discussion: None.

ACTION: Brandie Ryan motioned to approve the regular Agenda as presented. Susan Hayes seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote, no opposition, no abstentions, no absentees.

4. Public Forum/Hearing of Persons Wishing to Address the Community Advisory Committee

Discussion: Kristin Sigurdson, SELPA BCBA, provided a handout survey for members to submit training or information requests regarding behavior or classroom management.

5. SELPA Director's Report

5.1 Report from Every Child Counts Conference

Discussion: Dr. Patz informed members that the state governor's budget noted an anticipated COLA of .76% with less funding to schools as attendance numbers become very important, while other funding is not

keeping up with inflation. The ACSA Every Child Counts Conference focused on training for positive discipline and support of students – looking more at trauma informed approaches versus suspension, etc.

6. Consent Items – *(These action items are of a routine nature or items for which no discussion is anticipated, and are acted upon by a single vote. Members may request that any item be removed and given individual consideration.)*

6.1 Approval of Minutes for November 8, 2023

Discussion: None.

ACTION: Susan Putnam motioned to approve the Consent item as presented. Brandie Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote, no opposition, no abstentions, no absentees.

7. Parent Information/Membership – Update / Discussion

7.1 Spring outreach, possible event

Discussion: Dr. Patz suggested continuing the momentum of the successful Halloween event again with a Spring event and noted dates for March through May. Members discussed options for location and date and agreed to focus on children with special needs at no charge to families. Members agreed a budget of \$250 from CAC is sufficient and to a planning committee meeting on February 6, 2024 at 12:00.

ACTION: Susan Hayes motioned to approve a \$250 budget for a Spring Easter Egg Hunt. Brandie Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote, no opposition, no abstentions, no absentees.

(Lisa Bocast joined at 11:15 am)

(Robert Brown joined at 11:20 am with his son, Joshua Brown, who introduced himself.)

8. Treasurer’s Report – Discussion / Update (Jean Boggs)

Discussion: Ms. Ryan confirmed the CAC balance is currently \$2,160.00. Dr. Patz reminded members the SELPA generally provides \$2k per year for the CAC, but will be requesting the Governing Board increase that amount to \$2,500 going forward.

9. Agency Reports - Agency Reports - Discussion

9.1 Report of Far Northern Regional Center – Susan Putnam

Discussion: Ms. Putnam informed members that Far Northern Regional Center served 945 students aged 5-18 in January, 3,300 total in Shasta County.

9.2 Report of Rowell Family Empowerment – Susan Hayes

Discussion: Ms. Hayes stated that Rowell is planning the Airports for Autism event for April 20th and distributed flyers.

9.3 Report of Authentic Outcome – Brandie Ryan

Discussion: Ms. Ryan indicated Authentic Outcome is working to schedule training for parents and additional volunteer programs.

9.4 Report of Workability – Suz Crane, Fall River JUSD

Discussion: Ms. Crane stated they will be looking for more work sites, as Napa Auto Parts in Burney is closing.

9.5 Report of Workability – GERALYN ELLIOTT, SHASTA UHSD (*absent*)

Discussion: Ms. Elliott informed members that Shasta UHSD fully served 800 students and will be targeting Shasta and Gateway over the next three months. Her office continues working with the DOR concerning state regulations for placements, as ALL students must now be fingerprinted, while the school district must pay the background check and fingerprinting costs. Shasta UHSD is working with Shasta College and has created various resource fairs for introduction to their college campus.

10. CAC Conference Costs - Discussion / ACTION

10.1 March 13-15, 2024 - ADR Conference– Attendees and estimated costs

10.2 May 1, 2024 - Legislative Information Sharing Day - Attendees and estimated costs

Discussion: Dr. Patz reviewed the CAC conference costs ledger and confirmed the SELPA received an ADR grant of \$2,400 to pay for the hotel and registrations for CAC attendees. Ms. Spencer and Ms. Elliott confirmed they are unable to attend, while Ms. Ryan and Ms. Bocast both agree to attend and drive to Riverside. The CAC will reimburse mileage.

May 1, 2024 is Legislative Information Sharing Day in Sacramento. Special Ed. Directors from Enterprise, Gateway and Shasta Union High School will also attend. Dr. Patz stated Assemblywoman Megan Dahle has been a very good ally to education.

11. 2024-25 Local Plan and Allocation – Update / Discussion

Discussion: Dr. Patz stated the SELPA Local Plan is the driving document that defines members, governs, and provides assurances for special education in Shasta County for child find, including a full spectrum of programs and allocation of funds. Shasta SELPA members generate about \$24m for the 8,400 students in Shasta County - \$5m in federal funds, and \$19m from the state. Overall, approximately \$20m goes straight to districts for school sites, reflecting priorities of the SELPA. The SELPA also funds students in RTCs, foster care and other out of home students. Subsidies paid include funds to Juvenile Hall, Fall River JUSD, itinerants, and the SELPA BCBA.

ACTION: Susan Putnam motioned to approve the 2024-25 Local Plan as presented. Brandie Ryan seconded the motion. The motion passed by majority vote, no opposition, no abstentions, no absentees.

12. News to You Overview

Discussion: Dr. Patz provided information on News To You and TeachTown. James Glover, SELPA Support Services Consultant, informed members that most LEAs and Spectrum use this curriculum, and training has been provided to several teachers to help understand for Kinder to age 22. Useful for all age ranges. The standards are based on comprehensive curriculums and tie in core standards. Dr. Patz and members agree this is helpful to see how SELPA is helping to training in curriculums, as standard aligned curriculums will be very important in future discussions regarding alternate diploma.

13. Suggestions for Future Agenda Items

13.1 Alternate Pathway to Diploma

Discussion: Dr. Patz stated there is still no state guidance on the alternate pathway to diploma, but is law and needs to be addressed, as it doesn't terminate SpEd rights. Other requests include additional information about what is SELPA and future administrator/teacher trainings.

14. Next meeting date: March 13, 2024, 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m, SELPA Conference room

15. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 12:30 pm.