



San Joaquin County SELPA

COUNCIL OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 17, 2024

Minutes

PRESENT: Steve Payne, Brandie Brunni, Jennifer Pool, Monica Vallerga, NelLaine Kilgore, Staci Johnson, Travis Manley, Deanie Coleman, Susan Scott, Frank Souza, Travis Manley, Sean Brown, Jody Burriss, Nelarie Romo, Jamie Hughes, Lisa Mazza, Thomas Crocker, Wendy Frink, Alyssa Wooten, Justin Albano,

OTHERS PRESENT: Brittany Shepherd, Ann Siegel, Janine Kaeslin

ABSENT: Silvia de Alba,

I. CALL TO ORDER: Brandie Brunni called the meeting to order at 8:55 a.m.

II. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:

III. COMMENTS: There were no comments from the audience.

IV. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR INFORMATION:

1. Finance Report - Brandie

Economic Update

- U.S. headline inflation increased to 3.2 percent year-over-year in February 2024, up just 0.1 percentage point from January 2024.
- Core inflation—which excludes food and energy—slowed to 3.8 percent year-over year.
- Transportation inflation—which includes gasoline—increased to 2.7 percent from 1.6 percent in January.

Monthly Cash Report

- Preliminary General Fund agency cash receipts were \$288 million, or 3 percent, above the Governor’s Budget forecast for February, and were \$5.6 billion, or 4.3 percent, below the 2024-25 Governor’s Budget fiscal year-to-date forecast of \$131.1 billion.

- The primary driver of the cumulative shortfall was personal income tax estimated payments, which were \$4.7 billion below forecast fiscal year-to-date through February, indicating weakness in receipts relating to tax year 2023.
- Personal income tax cash receipts were \$579 million above forecast in February due to withholding exceeding the forecast by \$1.2 billion, partially offset by higher refunds of \$706 million. This brings the fiscal year-to-date shortfall in personal income tax receipts to \$4.1 billion, or 5.1 percent.
- Corporation tax cash receipts were \$165 million below forecast in February and \$1.1 billion, or 5.3 percent, below the fiscal year-to-date forecast. The February shortfall is due to refunds exceeding the forecast by \$418 million in February, partially offset by higher corporation tax payments of \$253 million.
- Sales and use tax cash receipts were \$148 million below forecast in February and \$347 million, or 1.5 percent, below the fiscal year-to-date forecast. February sales and use tax receipts reflect part of the final payment for calendar year fourth quarter taxable sales, which was due on January 31.

2. Legislative Update - Brandie

Brandie updated the Council of Directors (COD) on the team that will be attending Legislative Sharing day and information on Special Education Bills they will be supporting at the capital. The bills included are AB 217 Emotional Disability, and AB 438 Transition Bill.

3. Annual Service Plan - Brandie/Jen

Brandie reminded the team to submit their Annual Service Plans and Personnel Data Reports to the SELPA if they have not already done so.

4. April Review Excess Cost Transportation - Austin

Austin reviewed data that explained the total cost to run transportation, and estimated reimbursement to districts for transportation. The cost of this to the State was higher than they anticipated and it will be reviewed for the May budget. This year we are expecting the anticipated 60 percent reimbursement. Estimated ridership was shared and how it is calculated. This will go to the finance meeting in July, and updates will be shared at August COD.

Austin shared a reminder to check MOE.

5. Manteca OAH Case - Jody

Jody reviewed the OAH case that occurred in Manteca Unified.

6. Students transitioning BTDD and eligibility/504s - Jody

Jody had questions regarding transitioned students and what circumstances a 504 would be appropriate as opposed to a continued IEP. Discussion was held regarding current practices and best practices moving forward.

7. IEE Costs/Policies - Brandie

Brandie shared updates in regard to IEE cost rates. These cost rates should be evaluated and updated every year as needed. This will be evaluated by the SELPA over the summer, and a proposal will be brought forth to COD in August.

8. County Programs Update - Monica

Monica shared updates for county programs including current class size data. Many students went back to district this month and all students referred to county programs have been placed or are in the process of placement. There is a large reduction in total referrals from last year, the main decline is in preschool autism due to district development of programs. Discussion was held regarding enrollment projections for the 24-25 school year.

9. ADR Update - Susan

There were 4 requests via online intake in March, and thus far in April.

10. LI Update – Justin

- Current budget leftover for 2023-2024 School Year: \$1,582,637.42
- Current number of LI requests approved for 2022-2023 school year: 62
- Pending Requests: 21
- 83 total requests
- All submitted requests after 4/15/24 will still be voted on, but will not be processed until July 1, 2024.
- Reimbursement requests can still be submitted until 6/1/24.

11. CAC Update - Justin

The next CAC meeting will be held May 9, 2024 from 11:45 am until 1:15 pm in the King Island Conference Room at the Teacher's College of San Joaquin (TCSJ). The topic will be "What is Dyslexia" presented by the Fresno Diagnostic Center.

12. Annual Survey - Justin

Justin reviewed the annual survey and walked through the process for new directors. Please complete by May 13, 2024 so that results may be reviewed at the next COD meeting.

13. CARES - Susan

Susan shared the current referrals and active case data for CARES broken down by district and age range.

14. CALPADs Update – Susan/Staci

- The Personnel Data Report was due April 10, 2024 to SELPA. Two new ODS reports have been released in CALPADS:
 - Report 16.18 – Students with Disabilities – Low Incidence Student Counts
 - Report 16.19 – Students with Disabilities – Low Incidence Student List
- Fall 1 Report 16.14 had a defect that was not fixed until after the Fall 1 deadline. LEAs are encouraged to download the new versions of Fall 1 Reports 16.12, 16.13, and 16.14 to compare to the reports that were certified in January 2024. If you have questions or concerns, please contact speddatasupport@cde.ca.gov

REMINDER

- Ed Code 49005-49006.4 requires LEAs to collect and report all incidents in which any student (with or without an IEP or 504 plan) was restrained (mechanically or physically) or secluded, as defined by law. This requirement extends to any student placed by the LEA in a Non-Public School (NPS) pursuant to the student’s IEP.

15. NPS/RTC - Susan

Susan shared updates on current Non Public School (NPS) and Residential Treatment Center (RTC) placements. There continues to be an upswing in referrals for RTC placement, and she is working on several active cases to obtain placement for students. She also shared the draft of the RTC referral handbook that would educate IEP teams on the protocols to follow when the needs of students with disabilities fall beyond the scope of that can be offered within a comprehensive high school campus.

16. WorkAbility/Vocational Skills Lab Update – Frank

The last day of work for both Workability and the Vocational Skills Lab (VSL) is May 17, 2024. Planning for next year has begun including district tours of the VSL, transportation solutions, and a master schedule.

17. SEIS Update – Susan/Staci

The Degree of Support Identification Guidance document has been uploaded to the Training Materials section of SEIS (Training Materials → CALPADS).

- Located on the CALPADS Student page of the Student Record. It is NOT a part of the student’s IEP.
- Once the district has populated the field, as IEPs and Amendments are affirmed, the Degree of Support value will pull into the student’s PLAN file.
- Should be populated prior to 6/30/2024 (if possible), as this field must be populated in order to Affirm, Exit or Transfer the student starting 7/1/2024.
- Required for students on IEPs in grades TK-12 identified with the following primary or secondary disabilities: Intellectual Disability (ID) Orthopedic Impairment (OI) Other Health Impairment (OHI) Specific Learning Disability

(SLD) Deaf-blindness (DB) Multiple Disabilities (MD) Autism (AUT) Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI)

18. SELPA Workshops and Trainings - Program Specialists

The remaining workshops and trainings for the 23-24 school year were shared along with information on the upcoming CIM workshop.

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION:

19. Minutes: The Council of Directors is requested to approve the minutes from the February 14, 2024 meeting as presented.

Motion to approve by Jody Burriss second by NellLaine Kilgore to approve minutes.

Yes: All

No: None

Abstain: None

20. Minutes: The Council of Directors is requested to approve the minutes from the March 20, 2024 meeting as presented.

To be presented at the May 15, 2024 meeting.

VI. CLOSING COMMENTS FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS:

The next COD meeting will be held on May 15, 2024, 8:45 a.m. WEC Building, Greenwood 3.

VII. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:38 pm.