



SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **Monthly Meeting of the District English Language Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) Minutes**

**Monday, November 7, 2022**

**9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Zoom Meeting**

1. Welcome, Introductions and Expressions of Appreciations
  - Meeting started at 9:20 a.m.
  - Dr. Jacqueline Mora welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2. Review of Norms and Expectations for DELAC Meetings
  - Alicia Mignano, DELAC Secretary went over the norms.
    - Punctuality
    - Respect for the person who is presenting or speaking
    - Raise your zoom hand and be aware of the speaking order
    - Be brief with questions or comments
    - Provide opportunity for others to participate
    - Ask specific student or site-based questions after the meeting
3. Roll Call
  - Alicia Mignano, DELAC Secretary took attendance.
  - In attendance: Alicia Mignano (Edison), Yesenia Arana (Edison), Natalia Mikhnova (Franklin), Yheisi Alfaro (Grant), Laura Hernandez (JAMS), Vitty McClung (Lincoln), Edgard Meinhardt (Malibu Elem), Delia Escobar (Malibu HS), FeiFei Dai (McKinley), Stefanie Serrato (Roosevelt), Berenice Onofre (Community Member)
4. DELAC Elections
  - DELAC Representatives
    - Franklin-Natalia Mikhnova (Representative)
    - Lincoln: Patricia Santiago (Representative), Vitty McClung (Alternative)
    - Samohi: Ninfa Hernandez (Representative)

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Yes-Yesenia Arana  
Yes-Ythesis Alfaro  
Yes-Laura Hernandez  
Yes-Edgard Meinhardt  
Yes-Delia Escobar  
Yes-FeiFei Dai  
Yes-Stafanie Serrato  
Yes-Berenice Onofre

- DELAC Officers
  - Co-president: Edgard Meinhardt
  - Vice-president: Natalia Mikhnova
  - Co-secretary: Ythesis Alfaro
    - Passed with a majority vote for yes.  
Yes-Yesenia Arana  
Yes- Alicia Mignano  
Yes-Natalia Mikhnova  
Yes-Ythesis Alfaro  
Yes-Laura Hernandez  
Yes-Vitty McClung  
Yes-Edgard Meinhardt  
Yes-Delia Escobar  
Yes-FeiFei Dai  
Yes-Stafanie Serrato  
Yes-Berenice Onofre

### 5. ELAC Reports

- Alicia Mignano asked each DELAC member to report on behalf of their site ELAC.
  - Edison: Two-hour meeting that covered Día de los Muertos Celebration. They reviewed exams for Math. Edison students had a positive response in Math.
  - Franklin: First meeting was interesting. The parents and principal voted and now have their new team. They discussed how there are 29 families of English Learners at their site. They reviewed/discussed important questions on English and Math. Teachers provided helpful tools. They noticed that social skills are lacking due to not being able to communicate with others due to COVID. It is critical for EL students to be able to socialize with all. They came up with some suggestions on how they can improve on this. An example would be to have EL students experience socializing during after care
  - Grant: Board member Maria Leon-Vazquez was present at their first meeting. They reviewed the English and Math data. The reports showed that students did not drop. Students maintained their scores.
  - Lincoln: They had their elections for ELAC representatives. They also discussed how to incorporate other language speaking parents for

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representation.

- o Malibu Elem: They had an in-person meeting. Two new public attendees joined the meeting. They discussed Math and ELA test results. Most student maintained or improved.
- o JAMS: Students advanced in Math and others maintained. They also discussed the Fentanyl drug and the impact it is having on students. They also discussed absences and PTA meetings.
- o Malibu HS: ELAC meeting resumed and they discussed the Halloween parade.
- o McKinley: Nothing to report. FeiFei shared that his son reclassified a month ago.
- o Roosevelt: First in-person meeting with lots of parents present. They discussed having additional assistance for students so that they can work on their writing after school. Reading assistance for students is also needed during the class time. They realized that there are 64 EL students at their site and most are Russian/Spanish speaking.

### 6. Review and Approval of DELAC By-Laws

- Laura Hernandez, DELAC President reviewed the DELAC By-Laws with the group.
  - o Passed with a motion by Laura Hernandez and a second by Yesenia Arana.  
Yes-Yesenia Arana  
Yes-Natalia Mikhnova  
Yes Yheisi Alfaro  
Yes-Laura Hernandez  
Yes-Vitty McClung  
Yes-Edgard Meinhardt  
Yes- Delia Escobar  
Yes-FeiFei Dai  
Yes-Stefanie Serrato  
Yes-Berenice Onofre

### 7. Review and Approval of DELA Calendar

- Alicia Mignano, DELAC Secretary reviewed the DELAC Calendar with the group.
  - o Passed with a motion by Delia Escobar and a second by Vitty McClung.  
Yes-Yesenia Arana  
Yes-Natalia Mikhnova  
Yes Yheisi Alfaro  
Yes-Laura Hernandez  
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Yes-Stefanie Serrato

Yes-Berenice Onofre

8. Approve Minutes from October 3, 2022 DELAC Meeting

- Alicia Mignano, DELAC Secretary reviewed the minutes with the group.
  - Passed with a motion by Laura Hernandez and a second by Delia Escobar.
    - Yes-Yesenia Arana
    - Yes-Natalia Mikhnova
    - Yes Yheisi Alfaro
    - Yes-Laura Hernandez
    - Yes-Vitty McClung
    - Yes-Edgard Meinhardt
    - Yes- Delia Escobar
    - Yes-FeiFei Dai
    - Yes-Stefanie Serrato
    - Abstain-Berenice Onofre

9. EL Master Plan

- Update on ELPAC & Review Mandated Written Notifications to Parents
  - Initial ELPAC Test
    - The initial ELPAC assessment is only given once:
      - ❖ When student first enrolls in public school
      - ❖ Based on results of Home Language Survey
      - ❖ When parent/guardian indicates a language other than English is spoken at home
      - ❖ The initial ELPAC is used to identify if the student is an English Learner or initially fluent English proficient
      - ❖ Identifying student who are English Learners is important so they can get the extra help they need to be successful in school. (additional help from teacher)
      - ❖ So far, 204 students have been identified for initial ELPAC testing this year.
        - 104 students are initially fluent in English (IFEP)-more than half
        - 92 students are English Learners (EL)
      - ❖ Testing will continue as new student enroll. (Continuous through the year)
      - ❖ Results will be shared with parents. (slides 5 and 6, ELPAC Update and Parent Notices Presentation)

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### o Summative ELPAC

- The Summative ELPAC is given to student who are identified as an English Learner(EL) on the initial ELPAC assessment.
- The Summative ELPAC is used to measure the skills of English Learners in listening, speaking, reading and writing.
- For students in grades 3-12, much of the assessment is one online.
- Summative ELPAC results are used to determine if the student is ready to be reclassified as English fluent proficient.
- The Summative ELPAC is given every spring until the student is reclassified.
- In the Summative ELPAC Assessment student will get scores in the following areas (slides 10 and 11, ELPAC Update and Parent Notices Presentation) :
  - ❖ Overall performance level
  - ❖ Oral language (Speaking and Listening Combined)
  - ❖ Written Language (Writing and Reading Combined)
  - ❖

- o Performance Levels (slide 13, ELPAC Update and Parent Notices Presentation)
  - You can use this to review results with teachers.
- o Initial Parent Notification (slides 14-16, ELPAC Update and Parent Notices Presentation)
  - These are given along with the test results.
- o Annual Parent Notification (slides 17 and 19, ELPAC Update and Parent Notices Presentation)
  - These have to be sent out annually until the student is reclassified.

### 10. Questions or Comments

- Ythesis asked if she can see an example of the test report.
- Dr. Mora said she will ask Yvonne to share in the calendar invite.

### 11. Topics for Next Meeting: EL Master Plan-Review EL Program Goals, Services, and Objectives

- Alicia Mignano, DELAC secretary went over what will be reviewed at the next meeting on December 5, 2022.

### 12. Meeting Adjourned at 10:56 a.m.

- Laura Hernandez, DELAC President closed the meeting for the group.

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