



SELPA Governance Council Meeting

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SLO County Office of
Education
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AGENDA

May 16, 2025 8:00 am - 9:00 am
San Luis Obispo County Office of Education
3350 Education Drive, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

Pleasant Valley Joint Union Elementary School
2025 Ranchita Canyon Road, San Miguel, CA 93451

Bellevue-Sante Fe Charter School
1401 San Luis Bay Dr., San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

Almond Acres Charter Academy
1145 Niblick Road, Paso Robles, CA 93446

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1.0 Call Public Session to Order

Dr. Jim Brescia, San Luis Obispo County Superintendent of Schools

SELPA Governing Council Members:

Mr. Jeff Cadwallader, Director, Almond Acres Charter Academy
Mr. Tom Butler, Superintendent, Atascadero USD
Ms. Julie Turk, Director, Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter School
Ms. Jennifer Gaviola, Superintendent, Cayucos ESD
Ms. Jill Southern, Superintendent, Coast USD
Dr. Paul Fawcett, Superintendent, Lucia Mar USD
Ms. Jennifer Loftus, Superintendent, Paso Robles JUSD
Ms. Wendy Nielsen, Superintendent, Pleasant Valley JUESD
Dr. Eric Prater, Superintendent, San Luis Coastal USD
Ms. Karen Grandoli, Superintendent, San Miguel JUSD
Dr. Kristina Benson, Superintendent, Shandon JUSD
Dr. Jim Brescia, San Luis Obispo County Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Edd Bond, Superintendent, Templeton USD

San Luis Obispo SELPA Staff:

Dr. Amber Gallagher, Executive Director

2.0 Establishment of Quorum

3.0 Consent Agenda *(Members may remove items from Consent Agenda)*

3.1 Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2025

3.2 Approval of Agenda for May 16, 2025

4.0 Public Comment

Government Code 54954.3 provides that, before or during the Governing Council's consideration of an item, the public may address the Governing Council directly on any item of interest that is within the Governing Council's purview, provided that no action shall be taken on any item not appearing on the agenda unless otherwise authorized by Government Code 54954.2(b).

5.0 Public Hearing

San Luis Obispo County SELPA Local Plan

A public hearing will be held to receive public comment regarding the adoption of the amended 2025-26 San Luis Obispo County SELPA Annual Budget Plan (Section D) and Annual Service Plan (Section E) as required by California Education Code 56205(b). The SELPA Governing Council is required to approve the Annual Budget Plan and Annual Service Plan prior to submission to the California Department of Education annually. A recommendation of declaration to open the public hearing and close the public hearing is provided.

6.0 Action Items

6.1 SLO SELPA Local Plan: Annual Budget Plan and Annual Services Plan

Subsequent to the public hearing, the 2025-26 San Luis Obispo County SELPA Annual Budget Plan and Annual Service Plan will be presented to the SELPA Governing Council for adoption.

6.2 SLO SELPA Guides

The SLO SELPA and SEOC have finalized the following guides for approval as presented:

- (1) Behavior Support Guide
- (2) Regional Therapeutic Learning Centers Placement Guide

6.3 Community Advisory Committee SELPA At-Large Member

Two of the seats on the Community Advisory Committee are SELPA at-large members. SELPA recommends approval of one re-appointment of a continuing member.



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7.0 Information Items

7.1 Special Education Legislative, Funding, and Compliance Update

The SELPA Executive Director will review current legislation, funding, and compliance as it pertains to special education.

8.0 SELPA Executive Director's Report

Information, communication, and reports will be presented by the SELPA Executive Director

9.0 Board Member Comments

Each member of the Governing Council may report about various matters related to the SELPA. There will be no Board discussion except to ask questions and no action shall be taken unless listed on a subsequent agenda.

10.0 Future Planning

10.1 Next Meeting Date: June 13, 2025

11.0 Adjournment

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- 3.1 Approval of Minutes from April 11, 2025
- 3.2 Approval of Agenda for May 16, 2025

Item Type

Consent Agenda

Summary of Key Issues

The minutes from the April 11, 2025 Governing Council and the agenda for the May 16, 2025 Governing Council are presented for adoption.

Summary of Previous Action

None.

Recommendation

The SELPA Executive Director recommends that the Governing Council approve the meeting minutes from April 11, 2025 and the meeting agenda for May 16, 2025.

Links to this Agenda Item

Approval of Minutes from [April 11, 2025](#)
Approval of Agenda for May 16, 2025



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Annotation – Agenda Items 6.1 Governing Council May 16, 2025

Agenda Item

6.1 SLO SELPA Local Plan: Annual Budget Plan and Annual Services Plan, 2025-2026

Item Type

Action

Summary of Key Issues

The San Luis Obispo County SELPA has amended the Local Plan to reflect annual updates for Section D-Annual Budget Plan and Section E-Annual Service Plan.

The Local Plan will be submitted to the California Department of Education by June 30, 2025 and will be posted on the websites of the COE, SELPA and each LEA.

Summary of Previous Action

The Annual Budget Plan and Annual Service Plan was provided to the Superintendents, Chief Business Officers, Special Education Directors, and SELPA's Community Advisory Committee on April 4, 2025. The CAC was invited to provide input at a scheduled business meeting on May 6, 2025. The Annual Budget Plan and Annual Services Plan was posted for Public Hearing on May 1, 2025.

Recommendation

The SELPA Executive Director recommends approval of the amended Local Plan to include the Annual Budget Plan and Annual Service Plan for 25/26 granting permission for SELPA to type each LEA Superintendent's name in Section A-Certifications indicating approval.

Links to this Agenda Item

[San Luis Obispo County SELPA 2025-26 Local Plan-DRAFT](#)

**Annotation – Agenda Items 6.2
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Agenda Item

6.2 SLO SELPA Guides

Item Type

Action

Summary of Key Issues

SELPA Guides are defined as local best practices around specific topic areas to support practitioners with implementation. They are located in SEIS, the special education data system, and are available to all special educators countywide.

Behavior Support Guide

- New- based on interest from the field. Outlines best practices for early intervention and implementation.

Regional Therapeutic Learning Centers Placement Guide

- Revised- based on programmatic implementation.

All guides have been created in partnership with practitioners and been reviewed by SEOC.

Summary of Previous Action

N/A

Recommendation

The SELPA Executive Director recommends approval of the revised SELPA Guides- Behavior Support Guide and the Regional Therapeutic Learning Centers Placement Guide.

Links to this Agenda Item

- [Behavior Support Guide](#)
- [Regional Therapeutic Learning Centers Placement Guide](#)



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Agenda Item

6.3 Community Advisory Committee SELPA At-Large Member

Item Type

Action

Summary of Key Issues

Under legislative mandate, Community Advisory Committees provide for active community involvement in, a) development and review of the SELPA Local Plan, b) parent education, and c) positive changes in the educational system. It is a vital component of the San Luis Obispo County SELPA.

Two of the seats on the Community Advisory Committee are for SELPA at-Large members. Rayne Rice has been a committee member since 2012-2013 and her two year term expires in August 2025.

Summary of Previous Action

None.

Recommendation

The SELPA Executive Director recommends approval of one applicant for SELPA At-Large membership to re-appoint Rayne Rice for a two year term from the date of approval.

Links to this Agenda Item

[Application](#)

**Annotation – Agenda Items 7.1
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Information Item

7.1 Special Education Legislative, Funding, and Compliance Update

Item Type

Information

Summary of Key Issues

The SELPA Executive Director will review current legislation, funding, and compliance as it pertains to special education. This includes an update on state and federal legislation and the SELPA report out of the SELPA Association Legislative Day that occurred on April 30, 2025.

Summary of Previous Action

None.

Recommendation

Not applicable.

Links to this Agenda Item

None.