



# SELPA Governance Council Meeting

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## AGENDA

November 14, 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 934511

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

Shandon Joint Unified School District  
101 South First Street, Shandon, CA 93461

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### 1.0 Call Public Session to Order

Dr. Jim Brescia, Superintendent, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education

#### SELPA Governing Council Members:

Dr. Joe Ledoux, Executive Director, Almond Acres Charter  
Dr. Tom Bennett, Superintendent, Atascadero USD  
Ms. Julie Turk, Director, Bellevue-Santa Fe Charter  
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



## SELPA Governance Council Meeting

### 2.0 Establishment of Quorum

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

#### 3.1 Approval of Minutes from October 17, 2025

#### 3.2 Approval of Agenda for November 14, 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 Action Items

#### 5.1 2025-2026 Funding Model for Spectrum Central Coast, Nonpublic School: Transfer of Funds from Member LEAs to SELPA

The SELPA Executive Director will present the recommended 25/26 NPS Funding Allocation Model for the new local nonpublic school, Spectrum Central Coast.

#### 5.2 SLO SELPA Guides

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

- LEA Administrative Designee Guide

### 6.0 Information Items

#### 6.1 Special Education Legislative, Funding, and Compliance Update

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

### 7.0 SELPA Executive Director's Report

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

### 8.0 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.

### 9.0 Future Planning

#### 9.1 Next Meeting Date: January 16, 2026

### 10.0 Adjournment

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## SELPA Governance Council Meeting

### Annotation – Agenda Items 3.1 & 3.2 Governing Council November 14, 2025

#### Agenda Item

- 3.1 Approval of Minutes from October 17, 2025
- 3.2 Approval of Agenda for November 14, 2025

#### Item Type

Consent Agenda

#### Summary of Key Issues

The minutes from the October 17, 2025 Governing Council and the agenda for the November 14, 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 October 17, 2025 and the meeting agenda for November 14, 2025.

#### Links to this Agenda Item

Approval of Minutes from [October 17, 2025](#)  
Approval of Agenda for November 14, 2025

### Annotation – Agenda Items 5.1

Governing Council

November 14, 2025

#### Agenda Item

- 5.1 2025-2026 Funding Model for Spectrum Central Coast, Nonpublic School: Transfer of Funds from Member LEAs to SELPA**

#### Item Type

Action

#### Summary of Key Issues

Spectrum Central Coast opened for the 25/26 school year. Per the MOU outlined below, the SELPA has brought monthly enrollment and operational updates to SEOC, CBOs, and SELPA Governance, working towards data analysis that would support the approval of a funding model for 25/26, in alignment with the executed MOU.

On October 31, CBOs recommended, by majority vote, that the proposed funding model from May 2025 be approved for the 25/26 school year.

#### Summary of Previous Action

The SELPA Governance approved the contract with Spectrum Center, Inc. on April 11, 2025.

On June 13, 2025, the SELPA Governance Council approved the MOU that recognizes the partnership between the SELPA, Spectrum Center, Inc. Coast USD, and the K-12 LEAs within San Luis Obispo County SELPA in the establishment and operation of Spectrum Central Coast for the 2025-2026 school year.

The MOU outlines the (1) Effective date, (2) Fiscal responsibility, (3) Program referrals, (4) Attendance reporting and student transcripts, (5), Timeline for planning and review of any changes, (6) Term and termination, and (7) Legal language. Additionally, it included the following attachments:

- Program Agreement between Spectrum Centers, Inc. and SELPA
- Facility Agreement between Coast Unified School District and the SELPA
- NPS Funding Model Allocation
- Instructional Calendar and ESY for 25/26
- Individual Service Agreement
- NPS Referral
- Regional Program Referral Flowchart

#### Recommendation

The SELPA Executive Director recommends approval of the 2025-2026 Funding Model for Spectrum Central Coast, Nonpublic School: Transfer of Funds from Member LEAs to SELPA which includes programmatic operation and per seat costs, utilizing the SELPA's High Cost Pool.

#### Links to this Agenda Item

[25/26 Funding Model for Spectrum Central Coast](#)

**Annotation – Agenda Items 5.2  
Governing Council  
November 14, 2025**

**Agenda Item**

**5.2 SLO SELPA Guides: LEA Administrative Designee Guide**

**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.

**LEA Administrative Designee Guide**

- Revised/Enhanced-Provides high quality resources and best practices, guiding the appropriate role of the LEA Administrative Designee during the IEP process.

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

**Summary of Previous Action**

The SELPA Governance Council expressed interest at the June 13, 2025 to have Guides more widely accessible to leaders and practitioners. The SELPA is continuing to explore this option.

**Recommendation**

The SELPA Executive Director recommends approval of the revised SELPA Guide- LEA Administrative Designee.

**Links to this Agenda Item**

[Draft LEA Administrative Designee Guide](#)



## SELPA Governance Council Meeting

### Annotation – Agenda Items 6.1

Governing Council  
November 14, 2025

#### Information Item

##### 6.1 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.

#### Summary of Previous Action

None.

#### Recommendation

Not applicable.

#### Links to this Agenda Item

None.