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English Learner Services Department
District English Learner Advisory Committee
(DELAC) MINUTES

April 6, 2017 | 8:45 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. | D.O. Bay A Sycamore Room

Alberto Becerra, Coordinator of English Learner Services Department opened the District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) meeting at 9:00 am. Mr. Becerra went through the highlights of the agenda.

Mr. Becerra started the meeting with the CABE Conference that was held in Anaheim on March 31 – April 1, 2017.

In attendance were parents who went and brought back some information on some workshops that were presented.

Mr. Villagomez, shared that there were workshops for parents and support rights that parents have at schools. He noted that it just wasn't for Latino families but all nationalities. Mr. Villagomez shared that since Prop. 58 passed that they could now speak and not feel embarrassed to do so. In addition, bring back more of the bilingual programs too. Mrs. Villagomez who also attended shared a workshop that gave tools for teachers and how to cope with students from other countries and their ways of education.

Mrs. Lopez spoke about how informative one workshop she attended that shared parenting tools and to teach children to have a certain amount of discipline, to also take at least ½ hour per day to read with our children as well.

Ms. Palma also stood up and thanked Twin Rivers for sending them to the conference, and was so grateful for it. She learned so much. Attended a lot of different workshops that were there and speakers that shared so much useful information for our students. It was a beautiful experience.

Ms. Sepulveda, gave a thank you not only for attending CABE but for also giving them the chance to tour UC Davis to see how the college is and what it is to look forward for their children to attend.

Ms. Ponce another parent gave a thank you and also shared the flyer for the next big CABE Conference next year here in Sacramento.

Mr. Becerra said thank you to all the parents who attended and all the information he hopes they will bring back to their ELACS at their site. He to get in groups and discuss what does the English Learner Services Department provide that has been positive for the sites? Then he asked them by table. One parent said that the laptops that are provided to the children, who do not know English, use the Rosetta Stone software to learn it. Another table said Imagine Learning, Riptide and, and another table said English classes for parents. Then the second question was asked about what we can still do for the sites? One of the parents asked to have more parent meetings of all nationalities at the district level. And more classes for parents to learn English. To give teachers more training on new students that arrive from other countries etc. Mr. Becerra thanked the parents for their input.

The next topic that was Title III funds and what is supports, Imagine Learning Program, Newcomer, NDI etc. As well as the CABE PD for the parents. Then our TOSA's, Kiki and Tamara and how they go out and train teachers for high quality EL Strategies.

Mr. Tibbs, teacher that is piloting the iLit program at Rio Linda Preparatory and Kevin Haggin did a presentation for the parents. Explained how the program identifies what the students need, as well as our bilingual students. He showed all the books that are accessible on the program and how it can also translate in 40 languages. It also has a newcomer unit. He showed assignments and lessons and explained the new program thoroughly and as well as how beneficial, it

is for the students. Parents looked impressed and asked if all schools were going to have this? Right now it's only for secondary. We asked the parents to put their feedback on paper and collected it.

Martha Flores, Parent Engagement department spoke on the Parent Involvement Policy #BP 6020. It is being sent out to all the parents, and explained where it is at on our website. What it is all about and how it can benefit you and the children. How to get parents involved etc. She had them write on post its, ideas and suggestions for what they want for their sites.

The meeting was then adjourned.