

**North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area  
Superintendent Cabinet  
Minutes of Meeting November 12, 2021**

**Location/Time:** NOC SELPA Office/ 9:30 a.m.

**In Attendance:**

Mr. Jim Coombs, Superintendent, Lowell Joint School District, and Interim Chairperson of the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet  
Dr. Ramon Miramontes, Superintendent, Buena Park School District  
Dr. Bob Pletka, Superintendent, Fullerton School District  
Dr. Steve McLaughlin, Superintendent, Fullerton Joint Union School District  
Mrs. Analee Kredel, Chief Special Education Services, Orange County Department of Education  
Mrs. Renee Hedrick, Associate Superintendent, Orange County Department of Education  
Dr. Jean Martin, Director, North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area

**I. Call to Order:**

Superintendent Mr. Jim Coombs called to order the North Orange County (NOC) SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Meeting at 9:33 a.m.

**II. Approval of the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Cabinet Meeting Agenda for November 12, 2021.**

The North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Cabinet Meeting Agenda for November 12, 2021 was presented.

A motion to approve the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Meeting Agenda of November 12, 2021 was initiated by Dr. Bob Pletka. Dr. Ramon Miramontes seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried

**III. Open Session:**

Superintendent Mr. Jim Coombs called for any communication from the public. No communication from the public was provided.

**IV. Action Item(s):**

**1.0 Approval of the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Cabinet Minutes of Meeting August 27, 2021.**

The North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Cabinet Minutes of Meeting August 27, 2021 was presented.

A motion to approve the NOC SELPA Superintendent Cabinet Minutes of Meeting August 27, 2021 was initiated by Dr. Bob Pletka. Dr. Steve McLaughlin seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried

**2.0 Approval of the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Independent Educational Evaluations Guidelines**

Dr. Jean Martin shared the revised North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Independent Educational Evaluations Guidelines. The 2015 Independent Educational Evaluation Guidelines were reviewed and revised by the NOC SELPA Directors. Upon completion of the review, the documents were sent to AALRR Law Firm to ensure the guidelines were legally compliant. AALRR provided recommendations for updates. The recommendations were presented to the NOC SELPA Directors on August 11, 2021. The NOC SELPA Directors approved all recommendations except two. It was confirmed that the two items were not legally required. The revised NOC SELPA Independent Educational Evaluation Guidelines were reviewed by the NOC SELPA Superintendents Cabinet on August 27, 2021.

Dr. Steve McLaughlin initiated a motion to approve the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Independent Educational Evaluations Guidelines. Dr. Bob Pletka seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried

**3.0 Approval of the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Parentally Placed Private School Student Guidelines**

Dr. Jean Martin shared the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Parentally Placed Private School Student Guidelines. The 2017 Parentally Placed Private School Student Guidelines were reviewed and revised by the NOC SELPA Director. Upon completion of the review, the document was sent to AALRR Law Firm to ensure the guidelines were legally compliant. AALRR provided recommendations for updates. The recommendations were presented to the NOC SELPA Directors on August

11, 2021. The NOC SELPA Directors approved all recommendations except two. It was confirmed that the two items were not legally required. The revised NOC SELPA Parentally Placed Private School Students Guidelines were reviewed by the NOC SELPA Superintendents Cabinet on August 27, 2021.

Dr. Bob Pletka initiated a motion to approve the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Parentally Placed Private School Student Guidelines. Dr. Ramon Miramontes seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes, 0 No

Motion carried

**V. Discussion/Information Item(s):**

**4.0 North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Chairperson Two-Year Term**

It was suggested at the August meeting that the Chairperson of the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Superintendent Cabinet serve for two years. The Superintendents present at the meeting agreed with the proposal. This item will be presented at the January North Orange County Superintendent Cabinet Meeting for approval.

**5.0 California WestEd Study Funding Model Proposal**

Dr. Jean Martin reviewed the California WestEd Study Funding Model Proposal. The primary recommendation is to fund SELPAs based on the cost of a student based on the student's eligibility for Special Education. Eligibility is broken into three levels. Low Cost: Speech/Language Impairment, Other Health Impaired, Specific Learning Disabled; Mid Cost: Emotional Disturbance, Autism, Intellectual Disabled, Sensory Impairment (Visually Impaired/Deaf/Hard of Hearing), Traumatic Brain Injury; and High Cost: Orthopedic Impairment, Multiple Disabilities.

Renee Hendrick will follow up with the OCDE Legislative Analyst to see if a letter signed by all of the North Orange County Superintendents is recommended.

**6.0 California Special Education Governance and Accountability (SEGA) Study**

Dr. Jean Martini shared information regarding the California Special Education Governance and Accountability (SEGA) Study. The final report was scheduled to be released on November 1, 2021; however, the release has been delayed.

**7.0 North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Above and Beyond Award**

Dr. Jean Martin shared the date and location of the 2021-2022 North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Above and Beyond Award Celebration. The

celebration will be held on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at the La Habra Community Center.

**8.0 North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Learning Recovery Plan**

Dr. Jean Martin shared the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Learning Recovery Plan.

**9.0 North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Alternative Dispute Resolution Plan**

Dr. Jean Martin shared the North Orange County Special Education Local Plan Area Alternative Dispute Resolution Plan.

**VI. Suggested Items for Next Agenda**

No suggestions were provided.

**VII. Adjournment**

Dr. Steve McLaughlin motioned to adjourn the meeting of the North Orange County SELPA Superintendent Cabinet at 9:50 a.m. Dr. Ramon Miramontes seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 Yes 0 No

Motion carried.