

El Monte Union High School District Categorical Programs
District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC)
December 20, 2017
Minutes

DELAC Members Present:

Maria Escobedo – DELAC Representative (AHS)	Leticia Macias – DELAC Representative (MVHS)
Estela Romero – DELAC Representative (AHS)	Gabriela Atempa – DELAC Representative (RHS)
Gloria Garcia – DELAC Representative (EMHS)	Estela Martinez – DELAC Representative (RHS)
Noelia Alvarado – DELAC Representative (MVHS)	Linda Nguyen – DELAC Representative (RHS)
Rossana Alvidrez – Coordinator, EL Program (District)	Hilda Quiñones – DELAC Rep/Alternate (SEMHS)

DELAC Members Not Present:

Maria Gonzalez – DELAC Representative (AHS)	Maria Diaz – DELAC Representative (SEMHS)
Leticia Sosa – DELAC Representative (EMHS)	Jenny Cardenas – DELAC Representative (SEMHS)
Eloisa Olvera – DELAC Representative (MVHS)	Ofelia Guerrero – DELAC Representative (FRLHS)

Others Present:

Erica Hernandez – Instructional Support office (district)	Maria Javana – Guest (MVHS)
Humberto Romero – Guest (AHS)	

1. Sign-in and Welcome

Mrs. **Gloria Garcia**, DELAC President, called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m. with nine (9) members present.

2. Mrs. **Gloria Garcia** asked the members to review the agenda.

Motion: Mrs. **Estela Romero (AHS)** moved to approve the agenda.

Second: Mrs. **Gabriela Atempa (RHS)** seconded the motion.

Vote: 9 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained, 0 no vote. (9 members present)

3. Mrs. **Gloria Garcia** asked the members to review the minutes for October 26, 2017.

Motion: Mrs. **Hilda Quinones (SEMHS)** moved to approve the minutes with minor corrections to the Spanish version.

Second: Mrs. **Leticia Macias (MVHS)** seconded the motion.

Vote: 9 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstained, 0 no vote. (10 members present)

4. Ms. Rossana Alvidrez reviewed the performance levels for the English learner progress indicator as presented on the “List of Schools” report on the Fall 2017 California School Dashboard. The district’s overall performance is “green”, as are Arroyo, El Monte, Rosemead, and South El Monte. The DELAC members noted that Mountain View is at the “blue” level. Ms. Alvidrez explained how the performance level is determined and the members also reviewed the results for the Suspension Rate and Graduation Rate, which will be reviewed in more detail at the next DELAC meeting. In the second part of the presentation, Ms. Alvidrez presented the preliminary data for the 2017 language census. The committee discussed the distribution of the various home languages spoken by EMUHSD students and noted that Spanish is spoken in the homes of more than half of the district’s entire enrollment, followed by Chinese and Vietnamese. Ms. Alvidrez also added that of the district’s students classified as English learners, more than 70% are considered to be long-term English learners. Mrs. **Estela Romero** highlighted the importance of providing support to parents and to encourage them to be more involved their child’s high school experience. Several members also shared that the Community Liaison is an important resource for parents who need support and training.

5. Ms. Rossana Alvidrez reviewed the information on the *Parent Guide to Understanding the ELPAC* and the district's process for assessing new students and identifying students as English learners. She also indicated that additional information, including the guide, can be found on the district website. The members also reviewed the Performance Level Descriptors for the ELPAC, identifying the skills and level of support needed by the English learners at each level.
6. Ms. Alvidrez informed the committee members that the recommendation made at the October 12th DELAC meeting requesting board approval of the revised reclassification procedures was presented to the board at the November 1st meeting and was approved unanimously. In the month following approval of the revised procedure, the school sites conducted the 2016 CELDT "re-test" and there were an additional 62 students, district-wide, who met all the requirements for reclassification.
7. Ms. Alvidrez asked the members if there were any questions or clarifications needed on the "homework" assignment for the parent involvement policy. There were none at this time and the members were assigned the remaining administrative regulations, 3k through 5, to review and make notes on examples of parent involvement activities that take place at their site. Mrs. **Gloria Garcia** shared an example from her review of the policy. The members will have the opportunity to discuss the regulations at the next DELAC meeting.
8. Mrs. **Gloria Garcia** shared information and flyers from the 2017 Alliance conference she attended as an El Monte HS representative, and she also brought some promotional freebies (t-shirts, pens, etc) from the conference to share with the members. She invited the new DELAC members to contact the Categorical Programs Assistant at their school to register for the upcoming Parent Involvement Academy (PIA), and she announced the schedule for the winter break and the date of the next DELAC meeting date.
9. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.
 - Motion:** Mrs. **Estela Martinez (RHS)** moved to adjourn the meeting.
 - Second:** Mrs. **Noelia Alvarado (MVHS)** seconded the motion.
 - Vote:** 10 in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained, 0 no vote. (10 members present)