

## EDCOE Charter SELPA

### Community Advisory Committee Meeting

October 2, 2018

4:00 – 5:00pm

- Introductions
  - Kathleen Kendall, Program specialist, EDCOE Charter SELPA, [kkendall@edcoe.org](mailto:kkendall@edcoe.org)
  - Kirstin Comstock, Program Coordinator EDCOE SELPA, [kcomstock@edcoe.org](mailto:kcomstock@edcoe.org)
  - Meredith Akers, Program Specialist Charter SELPA, [makers@edcoe.org](mailto:makers@edcoe.org)
  - Jennifer Parker, Program Specialist Charter SELPA, [jparker@edcoe.org](mailto:jparker@edcoe.org)
  - Cari Edwards, Parent, Delta Charter School
  - Jeff Waugh, Program Specialist, EDCOE Charter SELPA
  - **Craig**
  - Kale Elledge, Public Relations Coordinator, EDCOE SELPA
- Approval of Agenda
  - Kathleen Kendall shared the agenda for the day
- Approval of meeting minutes from 04/10/18
  - Kathleen Kendall approved meeting minutes from meeting on April
- Kathleen shared the process for becoming a CAC board approved CAC representative and asked that participants e-mail Kathleen Kendall with expressed interests of becoming a board approved representative.
- Kathleen Kendall reminded parents to contact their school site administrator or special education director to share expressed interest in becoming more involved
- SELPA Overview
  - Kathleen Kendall reviewed the definition and roles of the SELPA and Charter SELPA, as well as the CAC responsibilities and role within the SELPA (input regarding the Local Plan, seek parent engagement). She also reviewed the scope of the Charter SELPA across the state.
  - Update: Board approved CAC members will receive a list of potential new schools to the SELPA and will have 30 days to give input if desired (to Kelly Carnahan) and will not need to attend a special meeting.
- Increase CAC Participation
  - Kathleen Kendall asked the group to offer ideas to increase parent engagement in the CAC.
  - Cari shared her idea of creating a SELPA CAC Facebook group to reach more parents. She also suggested the following topics for parent training: Inclusion, Autism, Social Skills, AT tools for reading and writing, Transition Planning, Local Grant Writing Support, SMART Goals, IEPs written to Endrew F. Standards, Board Member Advocacy, SEL, College and Beyond the IEP, Graduation vs. COC.
  - Kathleen asked the group for their opinion about the days and times that work best for them to attend a training/webinar, and directed participants to review the parent section of the EDCOE SELPA website ([www.edcoecharterselpa.org](http://www.edcoecharterselpa.org))
- Kathleen shared the following resources:

- CAASP
- ELPAC
- Tana's Parent Partnerships - [misstanad@educationalequityforall.org](mailto:misstanad@educationalequityforall.org)
- Understood.org
- State Council on Developmental Disabilities
- Request for Sharing News from our Schools
  - Ana Lindall, Sped Parent Outreach with Inspire Charter (9 schools in Southern California)  
The schools have created a resource library, parent newsletter. [Inspirecares.org](http://Inspirecares.org)
- Legislation Update – On recess until 12/3, the last day to sign bills was 8/31. Assembly Bill 2637 (Restraint and Seclusion reduction) passed, Medical Cannabis bill was vetoed, SB 972 (ID cards must include suicide hotline/mental health numbers) passed.
- Legislation Information Sharing Day – Opportunity for parents to travel to Sacramento and speak with legislators about pertinent topics for families with children with special needs. Usually occurs in May. Contact any Program Specialist if you are interested in attending. SELPA covers travel expenses for parents.
- Parent question: What is the Charter SELPA's position on vouchers? Kirsten replied that the SELPA doesn't hold a position on vouchers.
- Parent question: Will we be voting on the CAC Facebook page? Kirsten asked for input and opinions. We do not have a quorum today (need 9 board-approved CAC members, 7 currently attending) in order to vote. Follow up questions include: Who will run the page? Are families interested? How has Facebook worked for schools? We do not need to have a meeting to approve it, but we want to be sure there is proper planning regarding how it will be established, supported and maintained. Kirstin Comstock shared that she will communicate out to the group by 11/2/18 what the next steps will be.
- Next CAC Meetings: January 22, 2019 & April 19 2019
- Kathleen Kendall and Kirstin Comstock closed the meeting and thanked all participants for their input