

Meeting Notes for October 2, 2023 SELPA 1 CAC meeting:

**CAC started at 4:06 pm**

1. Introductions

Attending - Christine CL, Kimberly EL, Alison B, Namita Maunder (SELPA),  
Chrissy W, Rika Y, Akshaya A, Katherine T, Christine B, Agnes CB, Jane C

2. News and additions to the agenda

**PHP Resource Fair Sat Oct 21, 9:30-1 pm** Campbell Community Center list of  
available vendors here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dJsM9tJ7tgePgWEnt\\_zBxlcQdG-oWjsPjax2bjenbBU/edit#heading=h.qh398i4dz6i3](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dJsM9tJ7tgePgWEnt_zBxlcQdG-oWjsPjax2bjenbBU/edit#heading=h.qh398i4dz6i3)

Parents Helping Parents is a wonderful organization with many fantastic  
resources. Check them out at PHP.com

**Thanks for LRE80% data from MVLA** - many thanks to MVLA administrators  
and SELPA for reviewing information and getting this data out to parents! We are  
grateful for your efforts and are very happy to see progress from the 2020-2021 number  
of just over 36%. If there is a chance - we would love to have more details on what  
changes have helped encourage this increase and what is planned to increase to the  
state target in the future and what parents and community members can do to help!  
There was a discussion about why the numbers are low and what the reasons for this  
may be, but without MVLA there we were just making guesses. SELPA staff encouraged  
us to talk with MVLA about this issue more.

Below is the LRE information we received from CDE in 2022-2023. Please note that data is from 2021-2022.

Indicator	Selection Element	Data Year (21-22)	Target	Target Met
5a	LRE Regular Class 80% or more	39.29%	≥60%	NO
5b	LRE Regular Class less than 40%	14.88%	<18%	YES
5c	LRE Separate School	5.16%	<3.2%	NO

Below is LRE information from [CDE's APR website](#) for high school districts in Santa Clara County to show how MVLA's LRE compares with other high-school districts in the county.

Indicator	Campbell Union High School District	Fremont Union High School	Los Gatos Saratoga High School District	Mountain View-Los Altos
LRE Rate: In Regular Class more than 80%	50.35%	44.79%	53.39%	39.29%
LRE Rate: In Regular Class less than 40%	11.46%	5.83%	16.15%	14.88%
LRE Rate: Separate Schools	5.03%	5.64%	2.34%	5.16%

SELPA worked with MVLA to review CALPADS report and anticipate LRE results for data year 2022-2023. Below is the LRE information we are anticipating for data year 2022-2023 showing improvement compared to 21-22 data year.

- LRE, >80% = 50.99%
- LRE, <40 = 12.10%
- LRE, Separate Schools = 3.77%

SELPA also worked with MVLA to review current 2023-2024 LRE data in the IEP system. Below is the current projected LRE information for 2023-2024 (Source: Local IEP System)

- LRE, >80% = 51.59%
- LRE, <40% = 12.70%
- LRE, Separate Schools = 3.57%

### 3. Updates from SpEd administrators

- SELPA director - Namita Maunder gave a summary of the SELPA Padlet, including parent trainings in ADR (alternative dispute) resolution and other

#### [Link to SELPA Padlet](#)

Different columns are different headings/subjects - older information is accessible when you scroll down. Headings include: Data updates (CALPADS), SELPA Local Plan, Legislative Updates, SELPA Restructure, Brown Act and CAC, High Quality IEP resources, Alternative Dispute Resolution services, Upcoming SELPA trainings, Special EDge Newsletter, Parents Helping Parents and Events

ADR services - SELPA is a neutral body and they can help with conflict resolution. First level is SELPA resolution, and next is to find a facilitator to support in the process. Facilitators are listed in SELPA website and link from Padlet - both parents and district have to agree with ADR and facilitator. Different Tiers or levels of support that a conflict may need. SELPA is here for the best interests of the student.

- LASD - not present
- MVW - not present
- MVLA - not present
- PAUSD - not present

### 4. Palo Alto sub-committee report -

Rika Y - Sept 15 last general Palo Alto CAC meeting. In person at district office - lots of participants. District makes working with the group a priority. Update from special education about parent satisfaction survey during IEP meeting. Hiring more behavioral specialist.

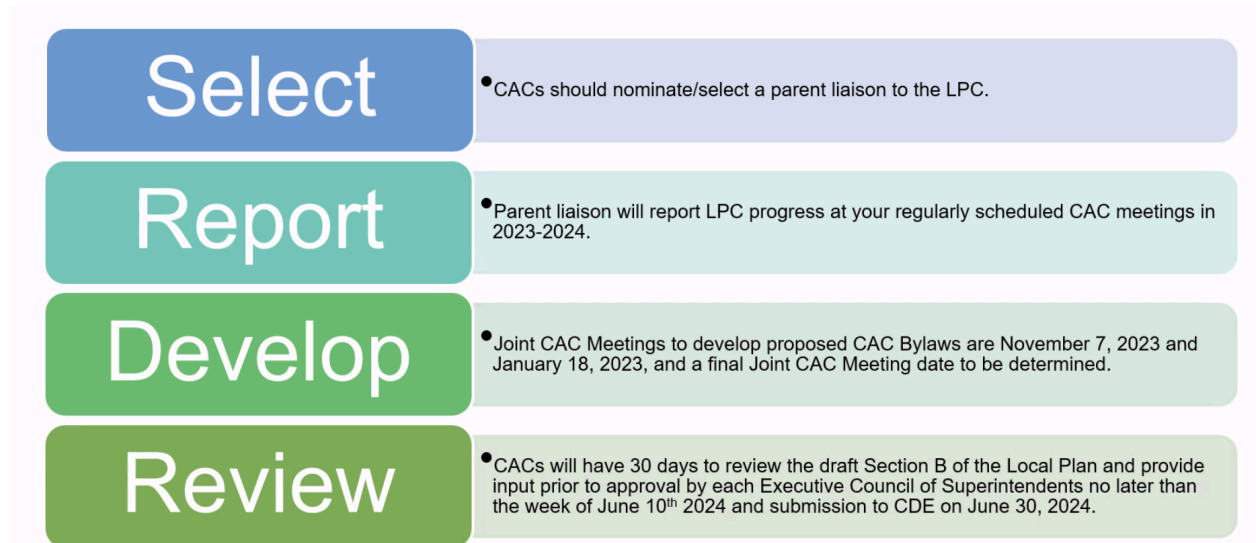
Christine B. - Community building - Family Fun Day with 250 families attending with IEP/504/learning differences. Community partners came - STEM, fire department, music therapy. Asiam family welcome event - CAC members attended.

Rika Y - SELPA has a good parent trainings and they worked with us and talked about high quality IEPs.

Kimberly - Advisory work - not a lot right now. Board Observer report before Board meetings. Literacy is a big issue. Very good results with Tier 1 offering and improved professional development. Disproportionality findings are improving. Student behavior supports are broadening outside of SpeEd, Behavior department moving into General Ed Area - more than just students with disabilities need behavior support. Ad-hoc committees - AI, etc include CAC members. CAC input helps provide input on how AI can help with learning differences and it is important for true representation.

## 5. Results/Debrief of CAC Consolidation meeting

Meeting on Sept 26 regarding consolidation of 5 CACs into 1 CAC for NW Santa Clara County. We would go from a CAC of 4 districts to a large CAC of 20 districts. Review of slides of screen shots from the 9/26 meeting. An example is here:



## 6. Appointing Local Plan Committee SELPA 1 representative for consolidated CAC meetings

We needed to appoint a single representative from SELPA 1 CAC to the combined Local Plan Committee for all the SELPAs. Alison B could make some of the meetings and is willing to serve this role next year, but Christine Case-Lo will serve this year.

LPC meetings will be 11-11:30 on Oct 17, Nov 14, Dec 5, Jan 16, March 15, April 9 (but are not public meetings)

Reminder that the Local Plan Committee is different from the Consolidation Committee. The LPC will be developing a combined Local Plan for all 20 districts this year and only one representative from our 4 district SELPA will be able to participate. The Consolidation Committee will develop new bylaws for the consolidated CAC and any CAC member (any interested parent or community member who has attended a CAC meeting) can participate in those meetings.

We had a debriefing meeting for parents on Sunday Oct 1. We talked about things that need to be in the bylaws about communication - a newsletter and

emails paid for by districts that goes out to IEP families, translation services, how to get help with LEA Board approval of CAC members, who serves on Local Plan, etc.

## 7. Part 1 of Parent Education event planning meeting

Another parent ed planning meeting later this month - Date TBD

Reminder of our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCuy7lcVz-4LTDxv2JaQ13nw>

From last month's brainstorming options: specially designed academic instruction, best practices to serve students with special needs, transition issues (elementary to secondary and secondary to adult), what do all the different providers do (OT, speech, behavioral, inclusion, adaptive PE), how do I ask questions to teachers or providers/how to be a good advocate, assistive communication methods/non verbal students, transition to college for students with disabilities, developing student self-advocacy, what is difference because IDEA and ADA to help with planning, general autism support.

Other suggestions this time:

- Chrissy W. suggested eating disorders as a topic that doesn't have a lot of coverage (there was a lot of interest in this issue and how much it needs to be covered and how serious it is).
- Palo Alto CAC is working with Disability Rights CA to develop and IEP workshop including specially designed instruction
- Assistive technology got another vote
- Broader topics are preferred to ensure a broad audience, panels can work well
- We don't have a budget, so we need to be able to get a wider audience for the speaker

- Namita said SELPA can help with some of that, professional development could be extended to parents on some topics - fabulous to know!  
Events are usually on Zoom, easier for childcare issues and for recording for YouTube
- Palo Alto has done transition topics annually
- Transition to college may be done in Palo Alto so they may cover that as well as an autism talk
- Mental Health/ED issues and Assistive Technology could be covered by SELPa 1 CAC and autism and college transition by Palo Alto CAC
- Project Safetynet may be able to help with a talk addressing Eating Disorders

#### 8. Resource Fair in January?

Not enough bandwidth given the consolidation and LPC meetings. PHP is given great resource fairs lately, there is one later this month (see above announcements or PHP.com)

We will continue to update the [Local Resource Guide](#)

#### 9. Continuing Let's Talk

Currently have scheduled for October 11 7 pm and November 10 10 am

Plan to add additional sessions in February and March

#### 10. Upcoming Events

Parent Chat October 10 at 10 am, Let's Talk October 11 7 pm

Next CAC General Meetings:

- December 4, 9 am, February 5, 4 pm, May 6, 9 am