



**Rowland Unified School District**  
**District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC) Meeting**  
January 8, 2015  
District Board Meeting  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Members in Attendance:** Bertha Patricia Andrade, Alicia Hernandez, Nadia Moreno, Maricela Vega, Maria Delgado, Minerva Ojeda, Diana Delgado, Guadalupe Magana, Maribel Crespo, Maribel Lopez, Merle Hsieh, Aracely Moreira, William Lin, Silvia Pelaec, Lorena Avalos, Beatrix Castro, Ryan Rexer, Stephanie Ceballos, Rita Yee, Francisco Ramirez, Silvia Rivas and Jeane Carse

- I. **Welcome and Introductions** –Silvia Rivas, Director of Special Projects/GATE and Aracely Moreira, DELAC Chair welcomed the DELAC Committee members.
- II. **Roll Call**- Silvia Rivas took Roll Call of the members present.
- III. **Review and Approve Minutes** –Aracely Moreira, DELAC Chair, asked the parents to review the minutes of the last meeting.
  - Lorena Avalos Representative from Yorbita - motioned to pass the minutes and
  - Minerva Ojeda Representative from Northam-seconded.
  - Members voted- minutes were passed.
- IV. **Parent Involvement Academy** ~ Flyers were distributed to the committee and Mrs. Rivas explained that this event has been a yearly event for several years that includes several workshops focused for parents from the Common Core State Standards to applying to Colleges. DELAC members who have attended in past years told the committee the benefits of attending and the information they learned as well as a commutative lunch for parents and district staff. Mrs. Rivas informed the committee that they are all invited to attend to complete the “Notice to Attend” confirming their interest to attend and be signed up of this event.
- V. **LCAP ~ Counselors Role ~ Stephanie Ceballos ~ NHS**- Mrs. Rivas introduced Stephanie Ceballos to Committee. Ms. Ceballos informed the committee that she is a Rowland USD graduate and had graduated college and is now a counselor at Nogales High School. Ms. Ceballos distributed her business card and stated that even though she assists the 9<sup>th</sup> grade students with classes and initial college goals, she is available to all parents as well as working with the Family Resource Center 1 to 2 days a week, assisting the parents in the community of EL Learner students as well as parents. Ms. Ceballos will be attending the DELAC meetings this school year and will have input and information for the committee as well as answering their questions or concerns.
- VI. **RFEP Monitoring**- RFEP Monitoring was discussed at the November 6, 2014 DELAC meeting and was not discussed at this meeting.
- VII. **Single Plan for Student Achievement**- Handouts were distributed to the committee and Mrs. Rivas presented with a power point presentation and discussed the Districts Plan Alignment as well as the LCAP Goals and the steps that are being taken to initiate the changes throughout the district. Mrs. Rivas explained that the LCAP were the goals of the district and the SPSA Plans (Single Plan for Student Accountability) were the goals initiated by each individual school site. Mrs. Rivas continued by stating that the District is reviewing with the schools monthly the progress obtained by miscellaneous data sources and that suggestions are given to improve a higher success rate if needed for the schools to meet their goals.

**VIII. Update on Common Core Standards ~ Ryan Rexter-** Mrs. Rivas introduced Ryan Rexter, Program Specialist/Elementary Math. Mr. Rexter spoke to the committee about the growing concern of the low percentages of Engineers and Scientist in the USA and rank 20<sup>th</sup> worldwide. This low rate is due to limited math knowledge and the Common Core State Standards is designed to increase the Math scores and knowledge by a unique technique of explaining one's answer, which goes more into detail, which step by step instruction. Mr. Rexter had several examples for the parents to check on-line for Math assistance by going to [www.rowlandschoolsmath.org/](http://www.rowlandschoolsmath.org/)

**Meeting Adjourned: 10:35 a.m.**