BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT Multilingual Education Committee Meeting Monday, September 11, 2023 4:30-6:00 p.m. - Meeting open to the public Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting started at 4:32 p.m. Under the direction of Mr. Alfonso Ceja, Executive Director MEP, everyone was welcomed to the meeting.

	Sr. Mark Luque	Superintendente
\checkmark	Sra. Laura Orozco	Representante de Servicios Educativos
\checkmark	Sra. Laura Guerrero - Salgado	Miembro de la Junta Educativa
	Srita. Shannon Zimmerman	Miembro de la Junta Educativa
	Sr. Alfonso Ceja	Representante de MEP
	Sra. Christine Chapman	Representante de C&I
	Sra. Michelle Santoyo	Representantes de Recursos Humanos
\checkmark	Sra. Anne Lopez	Administradora de Harris
	Sra. Sharleen McKelvey	Administradora de Voorhies
	Sra. Melinda Koerner	Administratora Stiern
\checkmark	Sra. Jessica Ricketts	Representante de maestros de Harris
	Sra. Maria Lopez Gonzalez	Representante de maestros de Voorhies
	Srita. Dulce Pena	Representante de maestros de Stiern
	Sra. Armida Madrid	Representante de BETA
\checkmark	Sra. Lila Perez	Representante de BETA
\checkmark	Sra. Annie Avina	Padre de K-3° grado Voorhies
\checkmark	Sr. Diana Reyes	Padre de K-3° grado Harris
\checkmark	Sra. Maryann Parada	Padre de 4°-6° grado Voorhies
\checkmark	Sr. Kyle Susa	Padre de 4-5° grado Harris
	Sra. Ana Karen Garcia	Padre de 7-8° grado Stiern
\checkmark	Sra. Diyarina Motta	Representante de DELAC
	Sra. Maricruz Vielma-Estevez	Representante de DELAC
	Sra. Tashawn Winston	Representante de Kern High
	Srita. Dina Esparza Diaz	Representante de KCSOS
\checkmark	Dr. Adam Sawyer	Representante de CSUB
	Vacante	Representante de BC

Visitors

Denys Garcia Program Specialist MEP, Goretti Torres MEP Clerk, Adeli Inostroza CSUB Faculty, Beatriz Urenda Academic Coach Stiern, Melissa Capilla Vice Principal Harris and Elena Rogers Vice Principal Voorhies.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Comments

No public comments at this time.

B. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were reviewed and approved. Laura Guerrero Salgado gave the 1st motion and Diyarina Motta gave the 2nd motion. Minutes were approved.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Message

Laura Orozco Assistant Superintendent Educational Services shared her desire to create students culturally aware and have opportunities in their future. If there are any suggestions or ideas to make the program better please bring it to the attention of the committee.

B. MEC Membership and Term of Office: Board Resolutions & Bylaws Alfonso Ceja, Executive Director, Multilingual Education Programs shared both items with the Board and gave them a few minutes to review and also asked them to review it at home and at the next meeting we will ask for feedback. Mr. Luque would like recommendations by March to take to the Board. More teachers are needed to continue growing. It was brought up that as we add more schools to the DI program our MEC membership will change. There will always be a form at each meeting for the committee to let us know what topics they would like to discuss.

C. Multilingual Master Plan - Chapter 4: Dual Immersion

Denys Garcia, Program Specialist, Multilingual Education Programs Shared how DI was added to the Master Plan in Chapter 4, also added to the Master Plan was Dual Immersion Parent Participation where they meet 4 times a year once every quarter to keep the parents informed about the program and their students, and get their input.

D. 22-23 Las Links Data

Denys Garcia, Program Specialist, Multilingual Education Programs Shared that students get tested in academic Spanish and they receive scores in all components and they also receive an overall score. Students get tested in the Fall and Spring, we look at the overall data for each grade level for both Fall and Spring. We compare the data from Fall to Spring, from year to year, and we can see that our students keep improving.

E. BILA Update

Adam Sawyer, Coordinator of Bilingual Authorization, CSUB

shared the start of the Fall semester with BILA classes beginning October 23rd. In 2023-2024 there are 9 applicants from BCSD, with a successful alignment to New State BILA Standards. Mr. Sawyer welcomed Dr. Adeli Ynostroza Ochoa to CSUB and the program, she brings a wealth of experience in bilingual teaching.

F. Dual Immersion Site Updates

Mrs. McKelvey, Principal, Voorhies Elementary School shared that Their number of DI students went from 150 last year to 180 this year. Language Development in Spanish instruction will include collaborative strategies that encourage students to work together. Higher Levels of Thinking are taught through the use of Thinking Maps that lead to writing as a product. Math Instruction will utilize getting students to talk and share thinking and answers. Science is a daily focus in upper grades and is taught in English during English Language Development as well as Science minutes. Mrs McKelvey also shared that different Cultures are taught throughout the year. Hispanic Heritage Assembly is September 22.

Ms. Lopez, Principal Harris Elementary School shared that their students work on Foundational Skills, Writing: Write from the beginning and beyond and for Math: Thinking building classrooms. Harris offers Intervention Specialist, Teacher tutor, Instructional aides (Bilingual), and Foothill tutors. Academic Conferences twice a year. Harris also celebrates all cultures throughout the year-monthly Flag salute, Family cafe, and Dia de los Muertos (11-1).

Ms. Koerner, Principal, Stiern Middle School shared that they have 5 DI teachers that have biweekly PLC meetings, 53 DI students enrolled, 27 7th graders and 26 8th graders. They also hold a DI family night. DI is highlighted across the school by pledging in Spanish during the morning show, and Spanish signage across campus. 8th graders will need 4 hours of community service to earn their Biliteracy Pathway Award.

IV. NEXT MEETING DATE

- Monday, November 13, 2023 Zoom
- V. Evaluation

Staff present were asked to fill out the Evaluation form.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

A. First motion by Lila Perez, seconded by Laura Guerrero Salgado, it was ordered by a vote of the members present to adjourn the session at 5:58 p.m. All members present were in favor. Motion carried.