

BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Multilingual Education Committee Meeting
Monday, November 13, 2023
 Vía Zoom
 4:00-5:30 p.m. - Meeting open to the public
Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting started at 4:09 p.m. Under the direction of Mr. Alfonso Ceja, Executive Director MEP, everyone was welcomed to the meeting.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Mark Luque	Superintendent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Laura Orozco	Ed Services Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Laura Guerrero - Salgado	Board Member
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vacant	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Alfonso Ceja	MEP Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Christine Chapman	C&I Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Michelle Santoyo	Human Resources Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Anne Lopez	Harris Administrator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Sharleen McKelvey	Voorhies Administrator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Melinda Koerner	Stiern Administrator
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Jessica Ricketts	Harris Teacher Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Maria Lopez Gonzalez	Voorhies Teacher Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Dulce Pena	Stiern Teacher Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Armida Madrid	BETA Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Lila Perez	BETA Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Annie Avina	K-3 Parent Voorhies
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Diana Reyes	K-3 Parent Harris
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Maryann Parada	4-6 Parent Voorhies
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Kyle Susa	4-5 Parent Harris
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Ana Karen Garcia	7-8 Parent Stiern
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Diyarina Motta	DELAC Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Maricruz Vielma-Morales	DELAC Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Tashawn Winston	Kern High Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Dina Esparza Diaz	KCSOS Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dr. Adam Sawyer	CSUB Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vacant	BC Representative

Visitors

Denys Garcia Program Specialist MEP, Goretti Torres MEP Clerk, Maria Arevalo Translator, Brenda Andrade MEP Secretary, Beatriz Urenda guest, Staci Darden guest, Penelope Legorreta guest, Marysol Muro guest.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Public Comments

No public comments at this time.

B. Approval of Minutes

Minutes were reviewed and approved. Sharleen McKelvey gave the 1st motion and Melinda Koerner gave the 2nd motion. Minutes were approved.

III. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. 23-24 Fall Overall Proficiency Data

Denys Garcia, Program Specialist, Multilingual Education Programs

shared the data from the Fall and hope to see some growth by Spring. The assessment data is broken into 5 levels Beginning, Early Intermediate, Intermediate, Proficient, and Above Proficient. In Kinder the majority of students are at the Beginning level. In first grade more levels are represented, we see a shift in proficiency skills. In second grade there is more of a breakdown of levels, a bigger percentage of students at higher levels. In third grade we see more progress 40% at Intermediate, and 1.4% at Above Proficient. In fourth grade the % keeps moving up, there is a big jump in Proficient. In fifth grade we see 50% at Beginning, 14.8% at Intermediate, and 22.2 at Proficient, Fifth grade is the last testing grade. We also see similar results between English only students and English Learners. Mr Ceja reminded the committee it's been board approved that a student can now apply beyond first grade, students can now test into the program. Students beyond first grade must take LAS LINKS in Español and they must get an Intermediate or higher score to be accepted into the program. Mrs. Perez asked who does the assessment, Mr. Ceja informed her that it is done at the school site of interest.

B. Dual Immersion Program Timeline

Alfonso Ceja, Executive Director, Multilingual Education Programs

shared that in 1997-1998 the first Dual Immersion Kinder Class started at Voorhies, in 2018-2019 the first Dual Immersion Kinder class started at Harris, in 2018-2019 the first Dual Immersion class starters at Stiern, in 2024-2025 the first 6th grade class will begin at Curran, in 2024-2025 we will Survey parents to determine interest in an Elementary School, 2025-2026 will be a planning year for an Elementary School, and in 2026-2027 the first Dual Immersion Kinder class will begin. The biggest concern is having enough certified teachers.

C. BILA Update

Dr. Adam Sawyer, CSUB Representative was not present, **Mr. Ceja** spoke on his behalf. Right now we have four teachers that have signed a contract with BCSD. BCSD is funding the program including textbooks, once they are certified they can apply to become a DI teacher at BCSD and must complete four years with BCSD if not they must return the money spent on the program. EDBI 6100: Foundations of Bilingual Education has begun, EDBI 6100 Signature assignment presentations will

be Tuesday 12/12, from 4:30-6:30pm at the PDC.

D. Dual Immersion Site Updates

Ms. Lopez, Principal Harris Elementary School was not able to attend **Mr. Ceja** shared on her behalf, pictures were shared from Dia de los muertos, they also held a Veterans day assembly, and they promoted attendance. There was a chart with the Overall Proficiency Comparison from 2022-2023.

Mrs. McKelvey, Principal, Voorhies Elementary School shared that they had a great celebration for Dia de los Muertos, it has been growing every year, this year it was held in the soccer field and even had traditional dancers. This month we are celebrating kindness so we are raising money for the Ronald MacDonal house plus we are having a can food drive. Also this year for Oral Language Marcos Rendon fourth grader will be doing Humorous Solo in Spanish on December 16, 2023.

Ms. Koerner, Principal, Stiern Middle School shared what happening at Stiern,

- Teachers receiving PD on BGLAD strategies and Writing using Thinking Maps
- DI/ Literacy Night 12/5/23- students will present work and projects
- DI students working on volunteer hours
- Planning field trip to LA PLAZA de cultura y artes in Los Angeles

IV.

NEXT MEETING DATE

- **Monday, January 22, 2024- ZOOM**

V.

ADJOURNMENT

- A.** First motion by Laura Orozco, seconded by Lila Perez, it was ordered by a vote of the members present to adjourn the session at 5:15 p.m. All members present were in favor. Motion carried.