

BAKERSFIELD CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 Multilingual Education Committee Meeting  
 Monday, January 23, 2023  
 4:30-6:00 p.m. - Meeting open to the public  
**Minutes**

**I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The meeting started at 4:36 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Laura Guerrero - Salgado	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Shannon Zimmerman	Board Member
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mr. Alfonso Ceja	MEP Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Christine Chapman	C&I Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Michelle Santoyo	Human Resources Representative
<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Alejandra Sanchez	Harris Teacher Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Lupe Quinonez	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. Teresa Garcia	BETA Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Maryann Parada	TK-3 Parent Voorhies
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Norma Perez	K-3 Parent Harris
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Annie Avina	4-6 Parent Voorhies
<input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Mrs. Tashawn Winston	Kern High Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ms. Lisa Vargas	KCSOS Representative
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Dr. Adam Sawyer	CSUB Representative
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vacant	BC Representative

## **Visitors**

Denys Garcia Program Specialist MEP, Goretti Torres MEP Clerk, Lori Pesante parent Voorhies, Dina Esparza KCOS Representative.

## **II. ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. Public Comments**

Lori Pesante, Voorhies parent, shared that she was very pleased with both site visits to Stiern's DI program and thanked the board. Mrs Pesante informed the committee that she has been appointed CDE State Superintendent's Parent Advisory Council Appointee and can be contacted with comments or questions. Mrs. Pesante also expressed concern about the lack of curriculum in Spanish and encouraged the board to make it a priority.

### **B. Approval of Minutes**

Minutes were reviewed and approved. Laura Guerrero gave the 1st motion and Laura Orozco gave the 2nd motion. Minutes were approved.

## **III. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **A. English Language Learners and Dual Immersion Students, ELPAC and CAASPP Data**

**Alfonso Ceja, Executive Director, Multilingual Education Programs** reviewed the data between DI students and non DI students. The overall results for the 2022 Summative ELPAC show 21.5% at Level 1, 34.6% at Level 2, 31.8% at Level 3, and 12.1% at Level 1. The percentage of EL's making progress is 50.5% at a medium level, our goal is to maintain or improve. We looked at the overall results of DI vs Non-DI with the results not being very different. We have long term EL's, EL's that have been an EL for 6 years with no growth for two consecutive years, with the reading and writing being the hardest. DI students perform higher than Non-DI in ELA, Math, and Science.

### **B. AP Exam for 8th Graders Update**

**Denys Garcia, Program Specialist, Multilingual Education Programs** shared that she spoke to Foothill High School and they agreed that changes to their assessment need to happen so that students are placed correctly instead of automatically being placed in Spanish 1. Foothill was very receptive to our concerns and suggestions.

### **C. BILA Update**

There will be an Informational Meeting on Wednesday, February 1, 2023 from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm via zoom: [go.bcsd.com/n2x](https://go.bcsd.com/n2x). Adam Sawyer, Coordinator of Bilingual Authorization, CSUB shared The start of Spring Semester, EDBI Field Work in the Bilingual Classroom. Mr. Sawyer also welcomed our very own Denys Garcia as a Professor to the program. With alignment to New State BILA Standards, next Testing Window for CSET Spanish III: 2/13/23-3/12/23.

#### **D. Dual Immersion Site Updates**

**Mrs. McKelvey, Interim Principal, Voorhies Elementary School** shared that at Voorhies, grade 6 Pathway Projects are in Progress, last year's prompt was: In our society (past and present), there are many examples of teamwork and resilience. Give an example and provide research on an individual who has demonstrated resilience and teamwork to overcome a hardship or a challenge. How does resilience and teamwork contribute to overcoming hardship and reaching goals? How has this example helped influence you to be resilient?

**Ms. Lopez, Principal Harris Elementary School** shared the STAR Early Literacy Spanish Proficiency Rate Fall to Winter Comparison 50%, an increase of 17.6% points from Fall 2022, STAR Reading Spanish Proficiency rate Fall to Winter Comparison 50.6% an increase of 16.8% points from Fall 2022 and, STAR Math Spanish Proficiency Rate Fall to Winter Comparison 72.6%, an increase of 19.6% points from Fall 2022. Great progress is being made by our dual Immersion students.

**Ms. Koerner, Principal, Stiern Middle School** shared that Stiern offers a Pathway to Seal of Biliteracy for 7th grade students with the first steps to obtaining the Seal of Biliteracy in 8th grade and a Pathway to Seal of Biliteracy for 8th grade students with all steps and activities to be completed. Happenings at Stiern DI Holiday Project, Family Night in December, Voorhies visit, VEX Robotics Competition St 1-28 and a Reach for Greatness Assembly.

#### **E. Recommendation to the Superintendent**

Last year's recommendation was to continue funding the BILA Program, this year do we continue funding BILA? We have till March to make that recommendation, we would like to also recommend that we give \$100 for student, about 30 students for the AP exam. Mrs. Lupe Quinonez DI teacher at Voorhies asked about adding a Curriculum Specialist for DI, also to have the Curriculum in Spanish.

#### **IV.**

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE**

**Monday, March 13, 2023 - PDC**

#### **V.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

- A.** First motion by Laura Guerrero, seconded by Norma Perez, it was ordered by a vote of the members present to adjourn the session at 5:55 p.m. All members present were in favor. Motion carried.