

GREATER ANAHEIM SPECIAL EDUCATION LOCAL PLAN AREA

Greater Anaheim SELPA

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GASELPA BOARD MEETING

June 22, 2022

5:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** May 18, 2022
Motion by: Seconded by:
Vote:
6. **RECOGNITION**
 - a. Outstanding Service to Students with Special Needs Award
Thomas Finell, ABA Interventionist
7. **PUBLIC RECOGNITION**
 - a. Introduction of Guests
The Board will meet any guests in attendance.
 - b. Visitor Comments
This is an opportunity for the general public to address the Board on non-agenda items. Comments on items that are on the agenda will be heard when the item is considered. All speakers wishing to address the Board must fill out a VISITOR COMMENT REQUEST CARD in advance and present it to the Board President. All speakers from the audience must wait until the Board President recognizes them before making any statements. In the interest of time and order, all speakers from the audience will be limited to three minutes and will have only one opportunity to speak on any item. The Board reserves the right to limit the time on any single item in consideration of conducting the business of the entire agenda. Speakers will follow procedures specified on the Visitor Comment Request Card.
8. **REPORT OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
 - a. Executive Director's Comments Discussion
 - b. Director of Business Operations' Comments Discussion
 - c. State SELPA – June 1-3, 2022 Exhibit 1
 - d. Federal/State Budget - Update Discussion
 - e. Legislative/Legal Update
 1. School Services of California – Legislative Report - May 25, 2022 Exhibit 2

- f. Community Advisory Committee (CAC)
 - 1. CAC Recognition Awards Update Discussion
- g. GASELPA Training/Staff Development May and June 2022 (*none this month*)

9. DISCUSSION INFORMATION

- a. Greater Anaheim SELPA Local Plan Discussion
- b. GASELPA Staffing Update Discussion
 - 1. Program Specialists
 - 2. Occupational Therapists
 - 3. Physical Therapists
- c. ABA Interventionist Welcome Back Luncheon – August 1, 2022 Exhibit 3
- d. Fall 2022 Meeting Dates Exhibit 4

10. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items listed under the consent calendar are considered to be routine and are acted upon by the Board in one motion. There is no discussion of these items unless a member of the Board or the public requests specific items to be discussed and/or removed from the Consent Calendar.

It is recommended that the Board approve/ratify and authorize the following Consent Calendar items.

- a. Business Items
 - 1. Issue of Warrants 17843 through 17972 Exhibit 5
 - 2. Purchase Orders 21201 through 21220 Exhibit 6
- b. Personnel Items
 - 1. ABA Interventionist at Step 3, effective as noted:
 - a. Esparza, S ABA Interventionist 6/21/22
- c. Leave of Absence
 - a. Cabiles, C Program Specialist Medical 5/31-6/29/22
 - b. Felix, A ABA Interventionist Personal 8/1-8/15/22
 - c. Lake, V ABA Interventionist Medical 5/11-5/14/22
 - d. Lopez, M ABA Interventionist Medical 5/13-5/26/22
 - e. Quintero, K ABA Interventionist Personal 5/2-5/16/22
- d. Retirements
 - a. None
- e. Resignations/Terminations
 - a. Cabiles, C Program Specialist 6/30/22
 - b. Lee, A ABA Interventionist 6/7/22
 - c. Lopez, K Occupational Therapist 6/30/22
 - d. Lopez, M ABA Interventionist 5/27/22
- f. It is recommended that the Board approve Amendment No. 2 to the Independent Contractor Agreement with Olive Crest to increase total costs from \$340,000 to \$400,000. All other terms and conditions remain the same. Effective May 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.

- g. It is recommended that the Board approve Amendment No. 2 to the Independent Contractor Agreement with Pacific Coast Speech Services to increase total costs from \$1,313,000 to \$1,450,000. All other terms and conditions remain the same. Effective June 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.
- h. It is recommended that the Board approve Amendment No. 4 to the Independent Contractor Agreement with Professional Tutors of American to increase total costs from \$75,000 to \$95,000. All other terms and conditions remain the same. Effective June 1, 2022 through June 20, 2022.
- i. It is recommended that the Board approve the Legal Services Agreement with Adams, Silva & McNally LLP. Services to be provided at a rate not to exceed \$285-310 per hour for Partner/Senior Counsel, \$250-\$280 per hour for Associates, \$150-168 per hour for Paralegals/Law Clerk, plus any direct costs incurred. Total costs not to exceed \$10,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.
- j. It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Anaheim Elementary SELPA and the Greater Anaheim SELPA, in which the Anaheim Elementary SELPA will provide the services of a 0.40 FTE itinerant teacher of the visually impaired to the Greater Anaheim SELPA. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2022. Costs not to exceed \$70,000. Member districts to reimburse.
- k. It is recommended that the Board approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the Anaheim Elementary SELPA and Greater Anaheim SELPA, in which Anaheim Elementary SELPA will provide the services of an Orientation and Mobility Specialist to the Greater Anaheim SELPA member districts, on an as needed basis. Cost is based on hourly rate (including statutory rates and proportionate share of health and welfare benefits) and mileage. Total costs not to exceed \$20,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- l. It is recommended that the Board approve the Agreement for Pupil Transportation between Anaheim Union High School District (AUHSD) and the Greater Anaheim SELPA, effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. AUHSD will provide transportation services for four Member Districts at a cost of \$52 per day, per student for home-to-school special needs student transportation. Member districts to reimburse.
- m. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Apple Tree Early Intervention Center to provide assessments and an Early Intervention Program for infants 0-3. Costs are \$50.50/hr. for in-center group therapy and \$80.25/hr. for in-home therapy. Total costs not to exceed \$15,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Part C to provide funding.
- n. It is recommended that the Board approve the Agreement for Special Services with Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo, a Professional Law Corporation. Services to be provided at a rate not to exceed \$325/hr. for Senior Partners; \$300/hr. Partners/Senior Counsel; \$290/hr. Senior Associates; \$280/hr. Associates; \$250/hr. Electronic Technology Litigation Specialist; \$240/hr. Non-Legal Consultants; \$175/hr. Senior Paralegals/Law Clerks; \$175/hr. Paralegals/Legal Assistants. Total costs not to exceed \$10,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.

- o. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Auditory Instruments, Inc., to provide Independent Educational (Audiological) Evaluations (IEE), including Audiological Evaluations and Central Auditory Processing Dysfunction/Disorder Evaluations (CAPD). Costs are \$2,800 per evaluation. Both evaluations include document review, school observation, parent and/or teacher questionnaires, report with recommendations. Total costs not to exceed \$15,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- p. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Augmentative Communication Therapies to provide assistance with augmentative communication and assistive technology, including assessments, individual intervention, consultation, systems development and training services. Costs are \$1,800 per AT or ACC evaluation (including IEP); \$2,500 per AT and ACC combined evaluation and \$175 per hour for other services. Total cost not to exceed \$25,000. Effective April 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- q. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Autism Behavior Services, to provide ABA Services and Behavioral Support Services. Costs are ABA Services (BII 1:1 behavior intervention \$82.65 per hour and Behavioral Support Services (BID) at \$179 per hour. Total costs not to exceed \$20,000 for combined 2021-22 and 2022-23 expenses. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- r. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Behavioral Emotional & Academic Mentoring (BEAM), to provide Comprehensive Independent Educational Evaluation (IEE) including Academic Achievement Testing, Report, and IEP participation. Costs are \$5,000 flat fee for IEE and \$90 per hour for IEP Participation beyond 2 hours. Total costs not to exceed \$6,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- s. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Beyond Blindness to provide DIS services; Early Intervention Services (0-3), services to visually impaired infants (0-3). Costs are \$111.65/hr. DIS Services; \$160.32/hr. for early intervention services to infants (0-3) and services to visually impaired infants (0-3). Total costs not to exceed \$40,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- t. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Craig Chorbajian to program and maintain the GASELPA website. Cost is \$50 per hour not to exceed \$5,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
- u. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Kelly Cokely to provide transcribing of textbooks into braille format. Cost is \$25 per hour, not to exceed \$7,500. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- v. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Kay Fielder to provide assistance with SLP supervision and program/staff support to the Greater Anaheim SELPA Member districts. Cost is \$65 per hour, not to exceed \$30,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse and/or Part C to provide funding.

- w. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with GPT Staffing to provide physical therapy, occupational therapy and related services; teacher consultations; assessments and attendance of IEP meetings as needed. Costs are \$94.85 per hour not to exceed \$70,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- x. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Goodwill Industries of Orange County to provide Assistive Technology Services (evaluations, training, and/or use of new equipment) to special education students to promote greater independence. Costs are \$118.19/hr. for assessments (10-hour minimum) and \$110/hr. for training; \$25/hr. for travel time plus mileage reimbursement at current IRS rate. Total costs not to exceed \$30,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- y. It is recommended that the Board approve the Retainer Agreement between Harbottle Law Group and the Greater Anaheim SELPA for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Services to be provided at a rate not to exceed \$220 per hour for Senior Counsel, \$210 for all other HLG attorneys, \$110 per hour for paralegals and other support staff, plus any direct costs incurred. Total costs not to exceed \$50,000. Member districts to reimburse.
- z. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with the Haynes Family of Programs – S.T.A.R. Academy to provide Supplemental Academic Services (SAS)/ Transition services, Specialized Academic Instruction (SAI), Occupational Therapy, Language and Speech Services (LAS), Individual Counseling, Therapeutic Outreach/wrap, Educationally Related Intensive Counseling Services (ERICs), and Behavior Intervention Development (BID) services. Costs are per attached rate sheet. Total costs not to exceed \$275,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- aa. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with the John Tracy Center to provide specialized services for Low Incidence students; parent counseling and training; counseling and guidance services; language and speech development and remediation; parent counseling and training; and DHH Services. Costs are per attached rate sheet. Total costs not to exceed \$60,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- ab. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with the Language Network, Inc., to provide written and oral translations, as needed. Costs, depending on language and availability of professional translators, are \$94 to \$166/hr. on-site, \$2.85 to \$3.10/minute video remote, and \$2.10 to \$2.35/ minute over phone. Additional fees may apply, see attached rate sheet. Total costs not to exceed \$35,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- ac. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Glenda McHale to provide training and consultation to member districts. Cost is \$175 per hour, not to exceed \$15,000. Effective March 17, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.

- ad. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Olive Crest to provide Basic Intervention Services including Individual Counseling, Parent Counseling, Psychological Services, Behavior Intervention Implementation, and Case Management; Medium Support Intervention Services; High Support Intervention Services (wraparound); ERMHS Assessments; On Site Mental Health Services. Costs are per attached rate sheet. Total costs not to exceed \$500,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- ae. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Pacific Coast Speech Services to provide Speech and Language Pathologist services and Speech Language Pathology Assistant Services. Costs are \$93 per hour for Speech Language Pathologist and \$60 per hour for Speech Language Pathology Assistant. Total costs not to exceed \$1,600,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- af. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Pliha Speech & Learning Center to provide tutoring services. Costs are \$95 per hour for tutoring services and \$1,500 per Academic Evaluations, with total costs not to exceed \$10,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member district to reimburse.
- ag. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Pomeroy Consulting to provide networking consultation and hardware. Costs are \$105/hr. for consulting services plus the cost of equipment. Total consulting costs not to exceed \$20,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023.
- ah. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Professional Tutors of America, Inc. to provide services including but not limited to academic tutoring, speech and language therapy and counseling. Costs range from \$84.80 to \$132.50 per hour for on-on-one instructional services, please see attached rate sheet. Total costs not to exceed \$150,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- ai. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Russo, Fleck & Associates to provide Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and COTA services. Services to include treatments, consultations, collaborations, initial evaluations and re-evaluations, IEP attendance and travel. Costs are \$97.52 per hour for Physical Therapy/Occupational Therapy. Total costs not to exceed \$85,000. Effective October 21, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- aj. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with SPLedia to provide AAC and Speech & Language Assessments, which includes assessments, report writing, and IEP attendance; Consultation Services. Cost is \$150 per hour for assessments and \$200 per hour for consultation services, not to exceed \$120,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- ak. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Tech-Eze to collect, audit and prepare pupil count reports for the GASELPA. Install and upgrade software, provide reports and submission of reports to the California Department of Education and to assist with training. Costs are \$5000 per month not to exceed \$60,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.

- al. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Therapy Travelers, Inc., to provide the following services: Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN) at \$68-\$78 per hour, Registered Nurse (RN) at \$85-\$115 per hour, Occupational Therapist (OT) at \$85-\$110 per hour, School Psychologist at \$98 per hour, Speech Language Pathologist (SLP) at \$90-\$115 per hour and Speech Language Pathologist Assistant (SLPA) at \$65-\$75 per hour. All services to be performed during regular school days/hours and under the direction of the member district. Total costs not to exceed \$200,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- am. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Western Youth Services to provide Mental Health Services to qualifying member district students. Services include: Counseling and guidance, parent counseling and training, psychological services other than assessment and IEP development, social work services. Costs are \$132.35 per hour not to exceed \$550,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse.
- an. It is recommended that the Board approve Student Affiliation Agreement between Stanbridge College and the Greater Anaheim SELPA. The GASELPA will offer Occupational Therapy educational programs for accreditations by the appropriate State Board. There is no cost to the GASELPA. The term is for one year, July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025 and will automatically renew unless thirty (30) day written notice is given by either party.

11. ACTION DISCUSSION

- a. It is recommended that the Board approve the Independent Contractor Agreement with Alpha Interpreting Agency to provide sign-language interpreting services. Costs are: Standard Assignments (requests made 3 business days prior) - \$90 per hour with a 2-hour minimum, Emergency/ Specialty Assignments (request less than 3 business days, after hours 5pm to 7am, weekends or holidays or requiring specific knowledge, training and experience - \$100 per hour with a 2-hour minimum and Ongoing Assignments (25+ hour per week for 16 weeks) – inquire for discounts. Total costs not to exceed \$10,000. Effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Member districts to reimburse. Exhibit 7
- b. It is recommended that the Board approve increasing three (3) Greater Anaheim SELPA Adapted PE Specialist's 2021-22 work year to accommodate the Extended School Year (ESY) needs of our Member Districts. Increase for each employee is an additional eighty (80) hours June 9, 2022 through July 28, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.
- c. It is recommended that the Board approve increasing one (1) Vision Paraprofessional 2021-22 work year to accommodate the Extended School Year (ESY) of our member Districts. Increase will be up to an additional 40 hours July 1, 2022 through July 28, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.

- d. It is recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Amanda Hart as a Greater Anaheim SELPA Adapted PE (APE) Specialist, effective July 1, 2022. Salary placement on the Cypress School District Teacher Salary Schedule to be determined by the Cypress School District. Greater Anaheim SELPA to reimburse the Cypress School District for all costs associated with this position.
- e. It is recommended that the Board approve the hiring of Patricia Salazar as a Greater Anaheim SELPA Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant (COTA), starting at Step 5 of the Greater Anaheim Classified Salary Schedule. Effective July 1, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.
- f. It is recommended that the Board approve adding an additional Greater Anaheim SELPA Occupational Therapist position. Effective July 1, 2022. Member districts to reimburse.
- g. It is recommended that the Board approve Resolution 268-2022 authorizing the County Superintendent to make transfers between reserve and any expenditure classifications to permit payment of obligations. Exhibit 8
- h. It is recommended that the Board approve authorizing Paul Lavigne, Ed.D., Executive Director and Kathleen Thomason, Director of Business Operations, to receive payroll, vendor checks or other documents from the Orange County Department of Education and/or OCDE Courier Services for the period of July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023. Exhibit 9
- i. It is recommended that the Board approve the attendance of the Executive Director at the following monthly and/or annual conferences/meetings and payment of necessary expenses for fiscal year 2022-23:
 - 1. State SELPA Administrators
 - 2. Coalition for Adequate Funding for Special Education
 - 3. ACSA – Every Child Counts Symposium
 - 4. Any travel associated with current committee assignments and/or appropriate trainings.
- j. Public Hearing regarding the 2022-23 Greater Anaheim SELPA Annual Budget Plan and recommendations for Board approval. Exhibit 10
- k. Public Hearing regarding the 2022-23 Greater Anaheim SELPA Annual Service Plan and recommendations for Board approval. Exhibit 11
- l. Public Hearing regarding the Greater Anaheim SELPA Annual Budget for fiscal year 2022-23 and recommendation for approval as required under Education Code 42127(a). Exhibit 12

12. CLOSED SESSION

- a. To consider matters pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public employee performance evaluation, Executive Director.

13. REPORTING OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

14. COMMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

Comments from the Board Members will be received and will be limited to five minutes per person.

15. ADJOURNMENT

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, should special assistance be required for you to participate in this meeting, please contact the Greater Anaheim SELPA Office at (714)828-1766 at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to this meeting. This will enable the GASELPA to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to this meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING
September 21, 2022
Greater Anaheim SELPA Office
5:30 p.m.