

**DELAC**  
**September 22, 2016**  
**MINUTES**

- I. *The call to Order:* Eva Coria called the meeting at 9:03 AM.  
**DELAC Cabinet:** Eva Coria (President), Patricia Vazquez (Vicepresident), Norma Leal (Secretary), Guadalupe Mendieta, Elizabeth Anguiano (Historians), Dina Benítez, Rosenda Avelar (Parliamentarians).  
**Attendees:** Abodes Maria, Aguilar Maria Elvira, Albert John, Alvarez Juana, Andrade Guadalupe, Anguiano Elizabeth, Arreola Marlene, Avalos Alma, Avelar Rosenda, Bell Elisa, Benítez Dina, Cardenas Laura, Carrera Timotea, Casillas Alejandra, Coria Eva, Cruz Petra, Cuenca Juanita, Espitia Maria, Ferrer Christy Delia, Galvan Shadey, Garcia Carmen, Goldsmith Rosei, Gomez Victoria, Gonzalez Leticia, Guadarrama Angélica, Gutiérrez Angelica, Hernandez Dulce, Hernandez Marta, Javadi Josefina, Jimenez Leonor, Le Le, Leal Norma, Lopez Fabiola, Lopez Mayra, Lucas Nieves, Maciel Aurora, Magana Graciela, Makimoto Garci, Martinez Blanca, Martinez Maura, Melendrez Maria, Mendieta Guadalupe, Miramontes Melissa, Montoya Natalie, Moreno Diwbe, Nieves Candi, Ocampo Marcela, Olivares Areli, Palma Monica, Posthuma Sonia, Ramirez Maria Guadalupe, Ramirez Patricia, Ramirez Sonia, Reyes Rosario, Robles Cynthia, Rocha Sofia, Rodriguez Luz M, Romero Fabiola, Rosas Rosalba, Sanchez Manuela, Sanchez Roxana, Santiago Susana, Schiffmann Danelia, Segundo Julia, Soler Rocio, Tacata Ryan, Torres Gina, Vazquez Apolinar, Velasco Maria, Villa Delfina, Xitlala Lucia, Zuniga Alicia, Zuniga Erika.  
**Special Guests:** Trace Weathford (Chairman of Orange Public Library), Tom Robertson, Jerry Edwards (Literacy Coordinator OPL), John Ferry (Librarian OPL), Ed Howard (OUSD Executive Director for Student and Community Services), (Superintendent of Schools), Sandra Schaffer (Accountability & Special Programs), Ann Truex (Interim Assistant Superintendent).  
**Facilitators:** Abril Ceja (TOSA, Student and Family Engagement Specialist) and Eva Coria.  
**Minutes takers:** Norma Leal and Martha Rivas (absent).
- II. *Opening Ceremony.* Elizabeth Anguiano led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- III. *Introductions.* Eva Coria welcomed attendees, and introduced the DELAC Cabinet, Abril Ceja, Sandy Schaffer.
- IV. *Icbreaker.* Patricia Vazquez invited everyone to participate in a special activity to greet another person at the meeting. She also requested a minute of silence in memory of the tragedies in Mexico, Puerto Rico, Texas and Florida.
- V. *Approval of minutes.* Norma Leal asked to review the June minutes. The first approval motion was done by Marcela Ocampo, and the second one by Guadalupe Mendieta. The minutes were approved without changes.
- VI. *The Reading Promise.* Tom Robertson and Trace Weathford from the Orange Elks Lodge invited the Elementary Title I schools to their annual program, The Reading Promise, to take place on September 24, 2017 at the Orange Public Library. There will be free books, backpacks, face painters, reading characters, therapy dogs, snacks and more.
- VII. *Orange Public Library (OPL).* Jerry Edwards invited the community to the new Adult Literacy program, which focuses on improving reading and writing skills in English. John Ferry talked about the library resources, the Homework Center Tutor Time 3-5 pm and the In-N-Out Cover to Cover Club. [www.cityoforange.org/library](http://www.cityoforange.org/library).
- VIII. *Importance of school attendance:* Ed Howard talked about important student's success factors such as the teacher in the classroom and student attendance. September is the attendance awareness month for OUSD. He explained that law says until age 18 or graduated from HS students are required to attend school or parents will get a call and notification from: 1) The school for a SART (Student Attendance Review Team) meeting at the school. 2) The OUSD's SARB (School Attendance Review Board), the OUSD's Student and Community Services and District Attorney meeting at the Orange Police Department. 3) The District Attorney, having parents liable. He explained that OUSD considers excuse absences (medical appointments, death on the family) and unexcused absences (vacations, family matters) with the same warning sense. He recommended that in order to help friends who are having a hard time getting their kids to school to express to them the legal aspect of attendance (Marlene Arreola), notified school authorities when noticed absences in teens and explore additional education options (Garci Makimoto), prioritize health over perfect attendance (Laura Cardenas). He explained that the amount and the reason of absences are considered before intervention (Elisa Bell), excuse absence affects perfect attendance (Dina Benitez), around 90% of kids like school (Carmen Garcia), there are levels of Perfect Attendance (Susana Santiago), tardies do not affect perfect attendance (Cristy Ferrer), OUSD help assist kids that do not follow rules but the family is responsible (Monica Palma) and, relay on the Parent Portal and School communication to check attendance (Fabiola Romero).
- IX. *Written Notification of Initial Enrollment.* Sandy Schaffer informed that within 30 days parents who had students tested in CELDT for the first time will receive written notification of results (Sonia Postuma).
- X. *LCAP:* Sandra Schaffer informed the LCAP survey is about to be released.
- XI. *Dashboard Data for EL students.* Sandy Schaffer presented key information for EL learners on the California School Dashboard. The performance is described by the colors blue, green, yellow, orange and red from highest to lowest performance. The student performance indicators EL Progress and English Language Arts (both yellow) were analyzed showing maintained change. She reminded us the importance of reclassifying and escalating levels on the ELPAC exam. She recommended for parents to emphasize to kids the importance of reclassification and check for strategies at school (Sonia Postuma), and reminded us SBAC is not used to placement on classes or retention (Graciela Magana).

- XII. Parent Engagement Institute for the fall. Abril invited the attendees to the three sessions about Bulling, Cyberbulling and Internet Security taking place in October, the month of Bulling Awareness. The schedule is 6 PM to 7:30 PM. Parts of the session can be extended to schools in six sessions.
- XIII. Public Comment: Ann Truex welcomed attendees on behalf of Dr. Hansen and School Board to the Orange School year programs, and invited everyone to continue making our schools strong. A workshop about the use of the OUSD Portal was requested. Sonia Postuma invited to the public to a Parent Portal session on Sep 27, 6:00 PM atPortola. The contact information for donations to support people affected by the hurricanes and earthquakes is available at the web site. The snack list will be available at the table.
- XIV. Closure: Eva Coria thanked everyone for their attendance. Natalia Montoya called the first motion, Apolinar Vazquez called the second. The meeting closed at 10:35 AM.