

Los Angeles Unified School District
Office of Student, Family and Community Engagement
District English Learner Advisory Committee

Thursday, May 29, 2025

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Agenda

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Fernando Paniagua, Chairperson.

II. Flag Salute

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mr. Fernando Paniagua in Spanish and Mr. Abraham Romero in English.

III. Public Comment

The Chairperson, Fernando Paniagua, provided an opportunity for public comments

- María Luisa Palma
- Diana Guillen
- Ana Carrion

IV. Roll Call/Establish Quorum

The Chairperson, Fernando Paniagua, conducted the roll call. Quorum was established with 26 voting members. Mrs. Alejandra Guzmán, made the request for the removal of members due to absences.

V. Approval of the Minutes for May 22, 2025

The minutes of 22 May Day were not approved, as they were not yet ready.

VI. Presentation: MMED Update

Ms. Ana Montenegro presented the report of the summative ELPAC exam of the last semester, 53 schools and approximately 1,500 students were supported. It was informed that there will be changes to the DIBELS exams starting next year, all students will take the I-READY exam. Dr. Posada commented on the changes in the Master Plan, and on the comments received by the different groups. The final draft is expected to be presented to the superintendent in the month of June. Once approved it will be posted.

VII. Action Item: Approval of amendments to the bylaws

Fernando Paniagua relinquished the position of DELAC Committee chairperson to María Mayorga to assume the role of chairperson of the Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee,

for the purpose of explaining and responding to members' questions.

María Mayorga, provisional chairperson DELAC, yielded the floor to Fernando Paniagua to explain the modifications to the bylaws. Fernando Paniagua gave the opportunity to ask questions, 2 in person and 2 by Zoom.

By Zoom:

- Martha Acosta
- Abraham Romero
- Alejandra Guzmán
- Olga Korvatoba
- Araceli Cabrera
- Norma González
- Paula Meneses
- Gabriela Rangel

In Person:

Fernando Paniagua explained that there may be some confusion regarding the proposed bylaw modifications. He noted that previously the Los Angeles Unified School District was divided by districts rather than by regions. Now that it is organized by regions, the number of regions has been reduced; therefore, to maintain the same total number of 72 representatives, the number of representatives per region and alternates was increased.

There are 10 representatives and 7 alternates per region.

At 1:50 Mrs. Norma González asked to make the count to establish a quorum.

Two hours after the meeting began, Fernando Paniagua stated that, based on comments made by the members, he had a proposal to present a motion. Currently, there are 12 representatives with 5 alternates per region, and 2 representatives with 2 alternates in the Virtual Academy.

Due to the constant lack of representatives and alternates, the Bylaws committee considered that it was necessary to have more representatives with more alternates so that it could have a quorum all year round. Fernando Paniagua proposed to make a motion to change 10 representatives and 7 alternates as is the proposal of the Bylaws committee, to maintain 12 representatives and 5 alternates per region.

After the question-and-answer session concluded, at 2:02, Fernando Paniagua made a motion for the number of representatives to remain at 12 with 5 alternates per region, and 2 representatives with 2 alternates for the Virtual Academy.

Mr. Placencia intervened to carry out the counting of the members present and to establish a quorum to then continue with the process of the motion and comments in favor and against. María Mayorga, temporary chairperson of DELAC, takes roll call. Quorum was established with 24 voting members.

Fernando Paniagua makes the motion to continue with 12 representatives and 5 alternates per region, 2 representatives and 2 alternates in virtual academy. Remaining with 50 representatives.

Mr. Abraham Romero, seconds the motion
María Mayorga requested three comments in favor and three opposed

Those in favor:

Those opposed: Martha Acosta, Norma González

At 2:20, María Mayorga proceeded with the membership vote.

The motion passed with (18) members in favor, (5) against and (2) abstention.

María Mayorga, temporary chairperson of DELAC asked for a motion for approval of the bylaws, acknowledged Mrs. Jasmín Arévalo who made the first motion to accept the bylaws. Mrs. Maria Lina de la Luz seconded the motion.

At 2:20, María Mayorga proceeded to the discussion of the motion, allowing three comments in favor and three opposed.

- Those in favor: Jasmín Arévalo
- Those opposed: Norma González, Martha Acosta

María Mayorga continued with the vote at 2:32. The motion passed with (19) members in favor, (5) opposed and (0) abstention.

María Mayorga yielded the floor to Fernando Paniagua, and he resumed his role as DELAC chairperson, to present his report.

VIII. Chairperson's Report: Fernando Paniagua

He focused on providing a summary of all the topics that were presented throughout the year, as well as the changes to the bylaws and the master plan.

IX. Announcements from members, SFACE Staff and District

- Link for the meeting evaluation
- Recognition of district committee members, May 30, 2025

X. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:54 by chairperson Fernando Paniagua