

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

Thursday, April 9, 2026

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

NOTES

I. Call to Order

Martha Acosta, Chair, started the meeting at 10:06 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mrs. Maria de la Luz in Spanish and by Mrs. Sandra Hernandez in English.

III. Public Comment

Martha Acosta, Chair, facilitated the public comments at 10:10 a.m. Ms. Diana Guillen and Mr. Juan José Mangandi gave their comments in person.

IV. Roll Call/Quorum

Martha Acosta, Chair, called the roll at 10:15 a.m. for the representatives of each region, at 10:30 a.m., roll call was taken for the alternates. A quorum was established with 30 members at 10:36 AM

Note: Before establishing quorum, Chair Martha Acosta informed the membership that Mrs. Maria Cano had resigned from her position as committee secretary and as a representative, leaving it up to the members to consider holding an election to elect a new secretary. This election would take place at the next meeting on April 30th, and the elected person would begin their role at the last DELAC meeting on May 21st. Members were presented with a second option, which was not to hold elections and for one of the current members of the executive board to take notes and prepare the minutes as had been done during the last meeting. The chair asked the membership to evaluate the two options, since after the vote to approve the minutes, a motion would be requested to vote on an election to elect a new secretary for the DELAC committee, and it would be the members who would decide which action to take.

V. Minute Approval for March 5, 2026

Martha Acosta, Chair, asked if anyone wanted to make any corrections or add anything to the minutes. Since there were no comments from the members, the motion was requested.

Motion

Martha Acosta, Chair, requested a motion to accept the Minutes of the meeting held on March 5, 2026.

Mrs. Flor Benitez made the first motion.

Ms. Patricia Bautista seconded the motion.

With 29 votes in favor, 0 against and 0 abstentions , the motion carried.

Chairperson Martha Acosta requested a motion to hold an election to elect a secretary for the meetings on April 30 and May 21.

Mrs. Marilyn Pineda made the first motion.

Ms. Patricia Bautista seconded the motion.

With 10 votes in favor, 19 against and 1 abstention. Motion did not pass.

VI. Presentation : Local Control and Accountability Plan (LCAP)

Dr. Erik Elward presented on how comments should be provided for the LCAP and extensively explained about the actions under Goal 6, Supports for English Learners. He showed charts on last year's reclassification by grade level and gave an update on the implementation of actions related to this goal. He also spoke about data from the other goals pointing out the successes and areas of understanding that have been obtained by developing the various proposed actions.

He emphasized the importance of the comments made by the members of this committee, which would be presented to the Education Board on June 16th. Therefore, he invited the members to give their feedback about the different goals, in order to develop a wide catalog of suggestions that help English learners in different areas.

Breakout Rooms - LCAP Comment Development

The dynamics of participation were explained. Different breakout rooms will be opened in Spanish and 2 in English with the 7 goals:

Academic Excellence, Joy and Well Being, Commitment and Collaboration, Operational Efficacy, Investment in Personnel, Support for English Learners, and Black Student Achievement Plan.

There would be 4 rounds in which each member could access the breakout room in which they wanted to participate or make their contribution. After the 4 rounds were finished, they would return to the main room to continue with the meeting.

VII. Chairperson's Report by Martha Acosta

It was read at 10:20 am. The chair pointed out the importance of this meeting as today the comments on the LCAP would be made, where members could contribute and suggest those changes or improvements that they consider should be made for the benefit of student education. Members are expected to participate with great enthusiasm since the purpose of this activity is to submit this committee's comments to the board of education to obtain a response from the superintendent. Likewise, he commented that the bylaws review has already wrapped and they were sent by regular mail to all members to be analyzed and thus be prepared for the meeting on April 30 where they would be voted on for approval.

Members were reminded of the importance of evaluation to know their opinions and how to improve meetings.

VIII. MMED Update

Miss. Ana Montenegro spoke about the GO BLUE campaign, which aims for a greater progress than what was achieved last year with English learners. She mentioned that certificates were given to schools that reached blue and green levels. We can all support this campaign and monitor students' progress to achieve the blue level. There are different supports for English learners that can be used to improve their academic progress and increase their educational level.

IX. Update from the Office of Student, Family, and Community Engagement

Mrs. Reina Diaz thanked all members for their participation in the LCAP comments and pointed out that it was very rich in opinions and suggestions. She was glad that this year's DELAC committee meetings have been collaborative, participatory, and full of vital information for all parents. She emphasized the importance of replicating the information so that more parents knew about the committee's work and how to support students from their schools.

X. SFACE Staff and District Announcements

Resources in schools for LAUSD students
Reminder of the topics learned in DELAC:

- LCAP
- Master Plan
- Reclassification
- Title I, II, III
- Comments on the LCAP
- School Transportation Applications
- Schools Closed on April 24

XI. Bylaws Ad Hoc Committee Update

In the absence of Mr. Rodrigo Lemus, subcommittee chair, Mrs. Martha Acosta mentioned that the bylaws were sent by regular mail to the members for their review, and it is expected that the presentation and voting on the bylaws will take place at the meeting on April 30.

XII. Evaluation

Martha Acosta, Chair, requested that before disconnecting, members should complete the evaluation that helps us improve the monthly meetings, or alternatively, it would also be sent to their email for them to fill out later.

XIII. Adjournment

Martha Acosta, Chair, thanked members for the patience and time provided at the meeting and adjourned it at 1:18 p.m.