



South County Consortium for Special Education

Board Agenda Regular Meeting

12/9/25

200 Douglas Street | Petaluma, CA 94952

Petaluma City School District Office, Board Room

1. CALL TO ORDER – 1:03 PM

2. ROLL CALL

Verification of District Representatives to the Consortium Council Roll Call:

Cinnabar School District	Not Present
Dunham School District	Present
Liberty School District	Present
Old Adobe Union School District	Present
Petaluma City School District	Present
Two Rock Union School District	Present
Waugh School District	Present
Wilmar Union School District	Present

3. ADOPTION AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Approval of the Agenda of December 9, 2025

First the motion: Chris Rafanelli; Second: Matthew Harris

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Approval of the minutes of November 17, 2025

First the motion: Matthew Harris; Second: Josh Wilson

5. SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS, REPORTS, and PRESENTATIONS

5.0 Special Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action (scope of the contract)

- Ms. Beno, from FMACT, clarified what FCMAT would and would not be able to accommodate. The understanding of what the scope objective was different than what FCMAT was able to deliver.
 - 1. FCMAT would not be able to do an analysis of the cost of classes. PCS does not code the expenses to a level where one can determine the cost of an individual class. Recommendation would be a coding structure that could be implemented in the future.
- PCS expressed what they are looking for.
 - 1. Actual costs of classes and related services for a program operated by SoCC (Site-based: number of students, different programs, staffing, cost of revenue per class.)
 - a) PCS CBO, Amanda Bonivert, will be able to do that on her own. She will need to work with SoCC and HR to be able to get all the information that is needed.

5.0 Special Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action (scope of the contract continued)

2. A study to look at what is actually costing each district member (billing purposes).
- 3 Look at the organizational structure and staffing of the consortium in comparison with the county offices or SELPA and make recommendations for a more cost effective program (Ms. Beno suggested to reach out to School Services as she has heard they can do this.) Chris Rafanelli is going to make the call to Student Services. Amanda Bonviert would like to be a part of the phone call to get the information she needs.

5.1 Director' Report: Canaan Richards, Interim Director of South County Consortium

- Update on mentor support
 1. Two SOCC Life Skills teachers visited Rincon Valley partnerships and observed the classrooms.
 2. TSP Observation was re-scheduled.
- Staffing update
 1. McKinley is onboarding, hopefully starting after Winter break.
 2. Offer to the McDowell vacancy.
 3. Still in need of a .4 teacher position to relieve the SoCC teacher for prep period.
- Pupil Count
 1. Everyone has received their numbers and invoices will be coming out as soon as possible.
- Preliminary Discussion around future planning for medically complex programming.
 1. Elementary aged children.
 2. Not to have it served within the autism program or a life skills program.
 3. Mara would like to bring the detailed information and costs at a later date, so there is time to collect necessary information.

6. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - No Comments

7. REPORT on ACTIVITIES and CORRESPONDENCE of SoCC BOARD MEMBERS

a) SELPA Advisory Committee - 11/21/25

- Policy Reviews:
 1. Policy 14- Joint physical custody for districts sharing transportation costs.
 2. Policy 23- Residential placements and the revisions to clarify the LEA responsibilities.
 3. Policy 31- Independent education evaluations: focus on SLPs placed on the approved IEP lists.

- Discussion about the need for early elementary support in TK and students with emotional /behavioral needs (specifically anxiety and trauma.)
- The goal is to develop continuum support at the local level.

**REPORT on ACTIVITIES and CORRESPONDENCE of SoCC BOARD MEMBERS
(continued)**

- Rate setting committee- Discussing the roles to include analyzing negotiations in regards to assessing non-public schools.
- 50th Celebration of the DHH program.

b) Supes Council

- Continued talk about the ERMS project.
- Santa Rosa creating their own SELPA is moving forward.
- Possible discussions around DHH programs.

8. ACTION ITEMS- None

9. FUTURE BUSINESS

- Special Services

10. Closed Session- N/A

11. Report on Closed Session- N/A

13. ADJOURNMENT: 2:00 PM