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OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 16, 2026

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

Committee Members Present:

ALFONSO PADRON

DAVID MOLINA

EUGENE MOSQUEDA

MARIE FAJARDO

MARY PEITSO

STEPHANIE OLSEN

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Committee Members Present:

AMANDA KETON

AMANDA SIMMONS

ANGELA KNOWLES

AARAN BURKE

CHERYL MILLER

STEPHANIE VENIEZ

OAH STAFF PRESENT:

PETER PAUL CASTILLO

BOB VARMA

COLE DALTON

CLAIRE YAZIGI

TRINITY DORANTES

ASHLEY AMES

ANNA BROWN

LAURIE CROM

FACILITATOR:

NICOLA DRAKE

SPANISH INTERPRETERS:

MARC GUTIERREZ

LETICIA REYNA

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SPANISH INTERPRETER GUTIERREZ:

Yes, sir. (In Spanish). Thank you very much. Thank you. Please go ahead.

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SPANISH INTERPRETER GUTIERREZ:

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DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

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(In Spanish).

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SPANISH INTERPRETER GUTIERREZ:

(In Spanish).

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

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SPANISH INTERPRETER GUTIERREZ:

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DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

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Please select … if you want to listen, please select Spanish. For our members who are listening on in English, please turn on English. That will allow you to hear better and also will assist in our reporting and making sure that we have a complete, accurate report. Our interpreters today are Mr. Gutierrez, who you saw, and Leticia Reyna.

Calling to order the October 16, 2026 special education advisory committee meeting of the Office of Administrative Hearings. This is a reminder, this meeting can be recorded by anyone who's observing, the committee members, and also any members of the attendee, pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meetings Act. Any open meeting may be videoed or audio recorded by any member of the public. The warning that came on at the beginning when you logged on is because we use the same license for Zoom for hearings and mediations, which are not…which are not permitted to be recorded by participants by federal and state law. However, since this is a Open Meeting Act, anyone can record by audio or video this presentation this meeting.

At the end of…the Office of Administrative Hearings is recording this meeting, and we will make a transcript of this Advisory Committee meeting available to anybody who requests and also post a copy on our website. Additionally, we have turned off the chat feature with the Zoom meeting, so there is no chat feature enabled for this meeting. I'd like to thank those attending this meeting as both part of the committee and employees of the Office of Administrative Hearings and members of the public. My name is Peter Paul Castillo.

I'm the Division Chief, Administrative Law Judge of the Special Education Division. With us we have in our Sacramento office Bob Varma, who is the Deputy Director Assistant Chief ALJ to the Office of Administrative Hearings. We have by video conference Cole Dalton, one of the presiding administrative law judges. Assisting us today with the meeting are our special operations staff, who are Trinity Dorantes, Ashley Ames, Anna Brown, excuse me, and Laurie Crom.

Additionally, our notetaker is Administrative Law Judge Claire Yazigi, who will be assisting me in this meeting as our secretary and writing down any proposed recommendations that the members would like OAH to consider. And we've had one new hire, Brooke Dorm (phonetic) in our San Diego office as a case manager.

For members of the Office of Administrative Hearings who are attending by video conference, if you can please have your cameras off unless you … I request that you speak during the meeting. I will now make sure that we have a quorum, and I will take roll.

We're starting with our Northern California committee members. This is a reminder to our committee members who are appearing by video conference that anytime that you speak or vote, make sure that your camera is on, as that is a requirement of the California Open Meetings. So with that, I will take roll, and please say if you're here. Alfonso Padron?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

David Molina?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Eugene Mosqueda?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOSQUEDA:

Present, and good morning.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Thank you. And Mr. Mosqueda is in our Sacramento office. Marie Fajardo?

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Mary Peitso?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Stephanie Olsen?

COMMITTEE MEMBER OLSEN:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Six Northern California members are present, and we have a quorum. For Southern California, Amanda Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Here.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton is here in our San Diego office. Amanda Simmons.

COMMITTEE MEMBER SIMMONS:

Present, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Angela Knowles.

COMMITTEE MEMBER KNOWLES:

Present, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Aran Burke.

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Cheryl Miller.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Stephanie Veniez. Member Veniez? Not present, but we have five members in the Southern California Committee, so we have a quorum in both committees. As indicated earlier, this advisory committee is done by a Zoom webinar, and we have members attending in person and by video conference.

As a member of the committee, if you would like to be recognized to speak, or in person, please raise your hand. So, Ms. Keaton, just raise your hand and I will call upon you. Mr. Mosqueda, please raise your hand and I'll be advised by Ms. Dorantes or Mr. Varma there that you wish to speak. For all other members who are attending by video conference, please use the button, the raise hand button on the bottom of your screen on the toolbar, and I will call upon you in the manner in which … in the … as you … the number as you've raised your hand. And if you are having trouble with that button feature, just physically just raise your hand and I will call upon you for the video.

As I indicated earlier, for members who are attending by video conference, the Open Meeting Act requires that anytime you are speaking and anytime you are voting that your camera be on. We will take public comments. I will announce when it is public comment time. We'll take public comments in response to any of the agenda items for discussion and any of the recommendations that will be voted upon that have been put forth by members of the committee. Public comments are limited to three minutes for each comment to allow as many public comments as possible.

For members of the public, if you wish to speak during public, if in person, raise your hand and you'll be called upon. If you're attending by Zoom, please, at the bottom of the toolbar, locate the raise hand button and press that button. You'll be invited to attend the meeting. You'll see an invitation to attend. Please accept the invitation to attend.

And then you'll be brought into the meeting and where you will be able to start your public comment. If you're participating by telephone and you wish to have a public comment, to raise your hand, press star nine. And once you are given permission to speak by the meeting moderator, you will press star six to unmute yourself before you speak. For email comments, please put the agenda number in the subject line of your email so we know which agenda item that you wish to speak upon.

Any emails that do not state the agenda item will be held until the end of the meeting for public comments. OAH will read your public comments into the record, and they are also subject to the three-minute limitation. When we start with the more substantive agenda items, the person who proposed the agenda item will have some time to talk and discuss why they made the proposed recommendation and the agenda item. OAH may also discuss any legal issues involved or the policies and procedures and may answer questions as they come up and explain legal terms in the agenda item. All Committee members wishing to be heard will have the opportunity to speak on the topic.

We will then take public comments. If at some point a recommendation is made that OAH consider something formally, any Committee member, not just the one who made the recommendation, may make a recommendation. If you're going to

make a recommendation, I suggest that you take a minute or so to write down your recommendation in the form of a question for OAH to consider. We will manage the proposed recommendations one at a time. You'll be asked to read your recommendation.

I will then ask if anyone wants to second. If there is a second to the proposed recommendation, we will move to committee member discussion of the recommendation, public comment on the recommendation, and then take a voice vote. I will do this for every recommendation for every substantive agenda item. And remember, for your vote, to please say yes or no, to say it audibly so we can … Judge Yazigi can record your vote, and have your camera on.

If after the voting is done if there's a majority yes vote from either of the committees, the Northern or Southern California committees, that will result in OAH considering the recommendation or recommendations. OAH will consider the recommendations and respond in writing before the agenda items are due before for the next advisory committee meeting. The expectations of the members are to attend every meeting. The meetings are scheduled for the third Friday of June and the third Friday of October.

The next meeting will be on scheduled meeting will be on June 18th, 2027. If a member is not able to attend a meeting, they should notify Office of Administrative Hearings that they … as soon as they become aware that they cannot attend the meeting. If a member misses two meetings, they may be removed from the committee, and OAH will start the application process and choose a replacement. I encourage you to fully participate in the process. Your opinions and recommendations are very important, and OAH values community participation.

This advisory committee meeting is subject to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. Each member of the committee has been sent a copy of the act and is expected to follow all the requirements of the act. They've also been sent the California Department of Justice advice memo pamphlet on the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. And that is … both documents are available on our website.

And right now, I would like to select a chair for each location to serve as the agenda collector for our June 18th, 2027, meeting. All proposed agenda items from the other committee members will be sent to these members. The identified members will then send OAH a list of the agenda items no later … will be put in an email when those agenda items are due to the Office of Administrative Hearings so we can prepare the agenda for that meeting. Is anyone in Southern California interested in being the chair to collect the agenda items?

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

I'm happy to continue if no other Southern California members are willing.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

If no one from … else from Southern California members are interested in just being the chair to collect the agenda items, then Mr. Burke is the chair for Southern California for the … to collect agenda items for the June 2027 meeting. For Northern California, would anyone like to be the chair to collect agenda items?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Same here, Your Honor. If no one else wants to, I'll be willing to continue.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Thank you, Mr. Padron. Seeing that no one else in Northern California, Mr. Padron will be the chair to collect the agenda items for the June meeting in 2027. And with that, we'll go to the agenda items. This one is put forward by the Office of Administrative Hearings. I would like to introduce facilitator Nicola Drake.

She will be facilitating starting in the June meeting our advisory committee meetings. If anyone has attended the Department of Developmental Services advisory committees, of which the Office of OAH participates, it will be done in a similar fashion as that advisory meeting. And the agenda item that the Office of Administrative Hearings put forward is required by the interagency agreement. Office of Administrative Hearings will need to, with the facilitator, Ms. Drake, and members of the committee establish written rules of conduct to make the advisory committee meetings professional, respectful, collaborative, efficient, and effective.

So, first I would like to have Ms. Drake introduce herself and just give some background about herself.

FACILITATOR DRAKE:

Good morning. Thank you, Judge Castillo. Good morning, everyone. Happy Friday. I'm Nicola Drake with the Learning Power Collective.

I'm a retired Navy veteran, mediator, educator, and coach with 30 years of experience supporting children and adults with special needs. As Judge Castillo said, this is my first meeting, so happy to be here, and in future meetings I'll be serving as a facilitator.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

And what I would like from the members for discussion is a date in either February or April in which to meet as a Advisory Committee for the discussion of the rules that I set forward earlier. So, I was wondering, I'm going to put out dates, and we can have discussion. The proposed dates would be February 20th, February 27th … I'm sorry, those are Saturdays. I'm sorry, February 19th, February 26th, April 16th, and April 30th.

So, I'm … this is opened up to any of the advisory committee members if there's questions about the facilitator and discussions about the proposed dates. Mr. Padron.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Yeah. Yes. Your Honor, first of all, I recommend that you pick one of those days and allow the members here present to take a look at the calendars real quick. Mine is open. That's already in the 2027 year.

And then the other point that I wanted to make is I wanted to know a little bit more about the background. I know it's going to be discussed on that day, but I'd like to know a little bit more about the role that Ms. Drake is going to be playing and concerning those issues that you explained.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

The purpose of developing the roles with the with the members of the advisory committee is to ensure that this meeting runs efficiently and it runs professionally. There has been some concerns made by members, prior members as to the Office of Administrative Hearings controlling the meeting. And part of this, having facilitators, have the facilitator run the meeting, so OAH is … we will set up the meeting and do all

the background, but the running of the meeting will be done through the facilitator. OAH will develop the agenda based on those agenda items that the members submit, but the actual calling of the members, the discussions will be led by Ms. Drake and not myself or any other division chief of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Okay, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Any other questions from the members? Member Burke.

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Two questions, please. Can you repeat the April dates?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

April 16th and April 30th. And the one thing we can do is we can go to the other … we can have a discussion here, hold off, have a break, and people can look at their calendars and come back to the agenda item. We will discuss the agenda item submitted by Member Miller, agenda item 7, and we can always come back to agenda item 6, so you can get days after a break and have more discussion and the vote and the public comment.

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

And then my second question, sir, in terms of facilitated IEPs, that facilitator serves an independent, neutral, third-party role. I guess I just wanted to hear a little bit more from Ms. Drake on how she was selected and how she fits that mold of being neutral and independent and a third party.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Ms. Drake, you may answer the question.

FACILITATOR DRAKE:

Yes, sir. So, I've had 30 years of experience with regards to sitting on school boards, working with students and parents. I myself am a parent of a child with special needs, so therefore I've been involved with all levels of IEP preparation, meetings, and 504 discussions, and my gosh, so much. In all … in all levels, pretty much runs the gamut as far as the different committees and positions that I've been in with regards to special needs education, and I'm also an educator as well actively with clients in the special needs and neurodiversity realm.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Before we continue, Member Veniez is present. We just need to say that you are here.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you, I'm present.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay. And also, to finish answering Member Burke's question that the Office of Administrative Hearings has a contract with Ms. Drake to be a facilitator that pursuant to the Government Contracting Act, we did a request for proposals. We had applications submitted, and Ms. Drake was selected as part of that process.

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Thank you for sharing, more. Appreciate it.

FACILITATOR DRAKE:

My pleasure.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, there, I saw … Member Fajardo had her hand up too.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

I was just going to ask for clarification about the dates. Are those four separate dates to hold this that you're proposing, or are we to choose one?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

To choose one.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Okay.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

From those four dates.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Okay, all the other dates except for February … or April 19th work for me. If others have input about the dates.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay. And as I indicated, we'll probably do this, have some discussions about the facilitator, any questions that members have regarding the facilitator or the process and get public comments regarding that, and then we'll table this agenda item, go to Member Miller's agenda item, then have a break and come back to this so we can (inaudible). Member Keaton.

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Yeah, I just have one other question. I was curious, you know, I don't know if other members of the committee can maybe answer this, or maybe you, or another member who's been here longer than me, but it says to establish written rules of conduct to make meetings professional, respectful, collaborative, efficient, and effective. I'm curious if we've had challenges with that in the past, or is this just preventative?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

I think concerns have been raised about this meeting that several members in the past have raised concerns that OAH had been controlling, cutting off comment, and not letting the members participate fully. And the other language, I think, is just to ensure that these meetings are just run professionally. That, as I've said, when I used to mediate cases, is that anything involving the education of a child is very emotional. Our mediation and hearings can become very emotional on all … on all sides, and these meetings can become emotional. It is not a critique on anyone.

It's just a fact of how important education of a child, a special needs child, it is for everyone from the parents, grandparents, school district personnel, attorneys, advocates, et cetera. Very emotional issue amongst all the members and all the people attending from the public. And this is not to take the emotion out, but just to make

sure that it is … these meetings are done in such a way that we can have a meaningful discussion on the agenda items and hear everyone's comments and opinions as we consider the agenda items and the recommendations. Member Fajardo, you had your hand back up.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

I'm sorry, I don't remember who asked this, but I think there was a question as to how Ms. Drake was chosen, and I don't know that I heard a response, so forgive me if there was one.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

As I indicated, the Office of Administrative Hearings through the Department of General Services put out a request for proposal for individuals who are interested in being a facilitator of these meetings. We did receive application packages. The Department of General Services did the initial review of those. OAH was given names, and Ms. Drake was selected by OAH.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

And were we … sorry, can I continue?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Yeah, please continue.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

And were we also asked for input as to that selection process?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

No, this was just selected by the Office of Administrative Hearings through the request for proposal that was published.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Okay. And given your concern or the concerns that were brought up that OAH was preventing others from speaking up and things and cutting people off, was there any particular reason why the committee wasn't involved in that process?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

The contracting rules of the State of California just has the government enter into the contract and not having other outside individuals participate. Those are the contracting rules.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

I understand that, but I feel like maybe our input could have been solicited if we understood what was the … Ms. Drake's purpose. I think that's … I think I share some of the concerns with other members, and I'm going to, you know, stop talking so you guys can get your input in too. Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Peitso.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

I'm just curious, do you know approximately how many applications were received and reviewed by OAH?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

I don't know the total number of applications that the Department of General Services received, and that the number that was given to us as possible to consider were only two.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay, so you had a pool of two to choose from, but you don't know how many applications were actually received?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

I don't know that number because the Department of General Services did the culling based on the requirements of the RFP.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Olsen.

COMMITTEE MEMBER OLSEN:

I just had a question about the timeframe that the meeting would last. It would be helpful in choosing dates if I knew, like, if I'm planning for two or three hours, and if there's a time of day that it's going to start, that would be helpful too.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, it'll probably be the same time as from here, probably start at 9:30. Probably a minimum of an hour and a half to two hours, just to allow full discussion of that. I do not want it to be a rushed meeting.

COMMITTEE MEMBER OLSEN:

Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

There've been discussions about not having adequate time to discuss agenda items in the past. Member Miller.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

So just to let Ms. Drake know, this is not against you or anything, Ms. Drake, that my question. So just so you know that. I'm wondering, is this a paid position that was actually flown?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

It is a paid position.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Okay, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Any other questions? Oh, Member Veniez.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you, and I apologize. I'm sure that you've already repeated this several times. Would you please confirm the dates that are being considered? I joined late.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

February 19th, February 26th.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

April 16th.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

April 16th. And April 30th.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you. Thank you very much.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Any other comments or questions? Oh, Member Keaton.

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Yeah, just one quickly. I was actually surprised that we didn't already have a facilitator. So, I think this is a really good step forward and really want to appreciate the other members of the advisory board who've, you know, suggested a change like this. And I just want to say personally, I'm excited that I joined at this time.

It'll be nice to have this next meeting and understand how we all work together as I'm kind of getting my sea legs. And I'm hoping that we can just share our concerns really candidly with Nicola and as we start and kind of develop the agreements that we want to, of course, within the Bagley-Keene Act. Goodness gracious. But the sort of, you know, feeling that we want to have when we come to do this work together.

So, I'm really excited and I hope that we have time to get to know Nicola and work as a group, since there are some I guess barriers to how well we might get to know each other since we want to do all the work, you know, inside our meetings. So, I just want to say thank you to everybody. I'm excited to have Nicola, and I feel like having facilitated meetings really results in better meetings, in my personal experience.

So, I'm really excited just for that step to make them more effective. So, thank you, everybody. And I'll just hang up. Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, Member, any public comments?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

There are no public comments, no written public comments.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, so what we're going to do is that we're going to table this for the moment. We will move on to Member Miller's agenda item, and actually response … and I'm sorry, forgot the time, it would be from … I'm saying right now from 9:30 to 11:30 on any of those four days. To agenda item 7 from Member Miller. I'm going to read out the agenda item, then I'll ask Member Miller to discuss why she proposed this and what's being requested upon OAH.

"I would like to see a template of some kind on the site for parents to follow that would help them make sure that they have included all the needed parts for their evidence. Not sure how this would look, but something to brainstorm about." Member Miller.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

So, being a parent and going through the due process and knowing how complex it was for me as a first time doing it, I left out certain parts. And I know that it's so complex that there needs to be some kind of checklist. And I know you have a great deal of information on the site, so it's not about that. It's about just some type of checklist that they could go back at the end.

And I can tell you, because I left off my evidence that I needed to be reimbursed, and it's kind of a silly mistake. And I think it could have easily been prevented with some type of template or something. So, that's why I'm bringing it up. Just it's … for some people that do it all the time, it's very easy. But when you're thrown into that situation and there's a time frame there to get everything done, you know, you try to get it done, and you're doing it, and you're doing it step by step, following your site, following the site, and then something gets left off.

So that's my suggestion. So, for anyone that wants to put in, you know, what are your ideas about it? And I don't know how many here have done this process as a parent.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Yeah, one thing we do have, as Member Miller stated, a parental handbook that is on our website that goes from the beginning of the administrative hearing process towards the end. But say, I think she's indicated there is no … in that handbook, no

checklist in there about … for parents to say … there are instructions about how to use our digital evidence system, but there is no checklist about what you should upload as part of your hearing process. Member Keaton, you had your hand up?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Yeah, similarly, I love this idea, that Ms. Miller brought forward. Thank you, Member Miller for suggesting this. And from my perspective also I also think that it's hard. I'm a lawyer, so I love words and I love, you know, reading through words.

But at the same time, it's extremely dense. There's so much great information on the site, but I feel like it is a little bit hard to access it. So, one thing that Ms. Miller's comment made me think of that was one of my requests, and I haven't been able to find it on the website, but if it's there, my apologies for saying this. Kind of an infographic of the life cycle. So, there is … there's a lot of words.

There's a huge wall of text about the life cycle. It starts with a mediation-only case, then it talks about a due process hearing-only case, and then the life cycle of a mediation and due process hearing case. But there just aren't any pictures. And I think, you know, considering that we're working and living in a state that has such diversity of representation, linguistically, culturally, all of those pieces, and the fact that we're thinking about people with special needs, having some sort of visual representation on the site as well could even pair with the checklist, you know, might be really helpful. I just am more of a visual learner, so I would love to see that, and I really love this. Cheryl, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Fajardo.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

So, are we … are you thinking something along … something detailed as, okay, mediation's coming up, so these are the things you need, you know, send a demand, include these things in your demand, your hearing's coming up, and your evidence, you should have the IEPs including anything you're asking for reimbursement for. I mean, I do something similar for my families early on when they come in so they can start compiling that. Is that something that you're thinking? And then, you know, going even more, you know, accessible for those who, you know, might need pictures to distinguish what those things are. Is that what you're thinking, Ms. Miller?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

I really like the idea of the visual for those because there are people that, well, someone with dyslexia, which is what my case was about. And I did win part of it, but I left off certain things. And I just feel, going back, thinking about it in hindsight, if I had had some type of checklist … and I know that there are many online, and I went through them, but it was that final process where I left it off because, you know, there's so much data that I collected and so much of this and so much of that. Just something … and I don't even know what it would look like. I would have to play with it.

But I know that it needs to have those little pieces, like each law involved. And I know you have that on there somewhere. Each piece of evidence that you have, and then a checklist that it's actually in your evidence. And then, you know, the receipts and the evidence of the receipts because I did have the receipts there, but I didn't have everything I needed for those receipts.

And so, and then I totally forgot to put them in. And so, it was … it was as I was presenting the evidence. So, it was in the evidence, but presenting that. So, there needs to be something there. Have I presented this? Have I presented this? Have I presented this?

And I know it's easy for a lot of you if you've done it a lot, you're advocates, wonderful, you know, people that do it every day, but a parent coming from, you know, nothing and trying to get all this information together and then that checklist at the end, is this here, is this here, is this here? And I do, I love the idea of the visual.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Padron.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Yeah, Ms. Miller, thank you for the recommendation. I have at least eight times been involved in the process of assisting parents, and then when it gets to a point of the evidence. So, we know that OAH cannot give us legal advice, but I think what you're asking here is something that possibly can be done by OAH. And then I think the gentlelady mentioned visuals, which is for most of us is more important than anything else. But I think that maybe something that would have helped you is that in situations I've been involved in is to make sure that the evidence that we actually submitted to OAH is made reference to while you're handling the actual case so that at the end it all gets into the record.

And then if you didn't put it in, I mean, what I understand that what you're saying is if you would have had something to make reference to, it would have assisted you in being able to not only handle your matter in the case, but also making sure that you provide evidence of what you were asking for in terms of remedies. And that's very

important because the judge is going to look at that at the end, is what are the remedies that is being sought after? So yeah, I agree with your idea of having some type of checklist, and then it's been also added that a visual will also help. So, if any other member has some recommendations as well. Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Any other comments from members of the Committee? Member Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Can I ask a question? I'm sorry. I know I'm new, and I'm just trying to understand this. I apologize for asking so many things. Is it possible for the Committee to collaborate, like, with OAH and actually help, like, design, you know, stuff?

Like, does that ever happen as a result of these Committee meetings? I mean, you know, it strikes me that maybe there isn't … I don't know if you guys have design folks on, you know, hand ready to, like, make infographics like that or if we could actually help you. I don't know how that usually works.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Anything that OAH does with members of the committee outside of the normal hearing process, we have to be careful about meeting the requirements of the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act. So, it would probably have to be through a meeting in which members of the public could attend. Other options could be just getting comments and questions by putting it out to anybody in the special ed community, just getting generalized comments and just from that.

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Okay.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Any other comments or questions from members of the Committee? Any public comment from any of the attendees, members of the public?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

We don't have any members of the public with a comment, and there are no written comments.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay. Going back to Member Miller, is there a recommendation that you'd like the Office of Administrative Hearings to consider based on what we have discussed?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Yes, Your Honor. I would like to put forward and ask the committee to recommend some type of template be designed, and then especially with the visuals. I mean, I can brainstorm myself. I don't know. I'm new to the committee too, so I don't know if we could all, like, send ideas towards someone that would work on this?

I'm not sure exactly how that works, so if you could let me know, or all of us know, that might be beneficial too. Thank you, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

ALJ Yazigi?

ALJ YAZIGI:

Yes, so what my understanding of recommendation item 7 from Member Miller is to add a template on OAH's website explaining all the needed parts for evidence for a due process hearing using visual representations. Have I captured that correctly?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Yes. Just, and I think Padron, Mr. Padron added it specifically there too, when you're putting your evidence in and making sure you've presented that evidence is extremely important when you're making your template.

ALJ YAZIGI:

So, would it capture that thought to say, to add a template on OAH's website explaining all the needed parts for evidence for due process hearing and explaining the process by which to present such evidence at a due process hearing using visual representations.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Absolutely.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Okay. One moment.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Sorry, I didn't mean to interrupt, so.

ALJ YAZIGI:

That's it. I'm trying to wordsmith it here.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

And then other members might have ideas for putting that together also. Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Is there a second to Member Miller's proposed recommendation?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

I second.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton has seconded. Are there any other as related to this agenda item proposed recommendations by any of the members?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

Who was the second? I beg your pardon.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

From members of the Committee, are there any comments, questions regarding the proposed recommendation? Member Veniez.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you. I would like to recommend that, if this passes, that the committee somehow receives notification of whether this is taken under advisement, whether this is actually posted online, and if it does go live on the website, that we be informed somehow so that we can again consider this and take it under advisement. This suggestion is being made in the spirit of … I believe another member said, you know, can we collaborate somehow? How can we make sure that, you know, we have feedback here? And I think that's probably the best way to do that is hopefully if this is taken under advisement and moves forward, then we can review it once it becomes live and provide feedback on that.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

So, would the recommendation be that if OAH is to develop an evidence template, that members of the Special Education Advisory Committee participate in the development of that template?

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

I would say yes, I think that would be ideal. But if …

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

I'm just asking for a recommendation, trying to … do you have that, Judge Yazigi?

ALJ YAZIGI:

I have that Member Veniez is recommending, I'm putting it as a 7B, that if such, you know, OAH is to explore such a template that members be involved. Was it involved in the development process or just be notified if and when it goes live?

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

My understanding of the process is that we may not be able to be involved in the development of it. So, I think that it would be more appropriate for us to be notified once it's developed and have the opportunity to provide feedback for changes.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Got it.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Okay, so trying to wordsmith this in live time, but if such a template is developed, that members be notified and be given the opportunity to provide feedback. Have I captured that correctly?

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Yes, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Is there a second to Member Veniez's proposed recommendation?

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

I'll second.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Second from Member Burke. Are there any other questions or comments on the proposed recommendations, or does any other member have a proposed recommendation for this topic? Any comments from members of the public on the proposed recommendations?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

There currently isn't any verbal comments from the public or any written comments.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

We will take a vote.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Judge Castillo, this is Claire. I have a question. Will you be taking the vote in two parts, or are 7A and 7B a package?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Two parts. So, I'll go 7A and then 7B.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Whenever you're ready, I can read back what I have as the final language from as I understand it.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

If you could please, Judge Yazigi, read 7A.

ALJ YAZIGI:

7A is to add a template on OAH's website using visual representations, explaining all the needed parts for evidence for a due process hearing and how to present such evidence at a due process hearing.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Now we'll do roll call. Member Padron?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Molina?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Mosqueda?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOSQUEDA:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Fajardo?

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Peitso?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Olsen?

COMMITTEE MEMBER OLSEN:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Six yeses in Northern California. For Southern California, Member Simmons?

COMMITTEE MEMBER SIMMONS:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Knowles?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KNOWLES:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Burke?

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Miller?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Veniez?

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Yes, Your Honor.

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DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

That is six yeses in Southern California, so 7A has passed both committees, and OAH will respond to that proposed recommendation. Judge Yazigi, if you could please repeat 7B.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Before I do, I have a procedural question, if I may ask so of Member Veniez. When Judge Castillo did the roll call, I didn't hear that you were present. Did I miss that? I know that you're present now, and my question is if you were present for the entire discussion of Item 7.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you. I was not present at the initial roll call. I joined late, around just after 10:00 AM, I believe, right around 10:00 AM. But I was present for the entire discussion of this item. Thank you.

ALJ YAZIGI:

Thank you so much. All right, Judge Castillo, with permission, 7B, I have as that members be notified if such a template is developed and to be given an opportunity to provide feedback.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Padron?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Molina?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Mosqueda?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOSQUEDA:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Fajardo?

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Peitso?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Yes.

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COMMITTEE MEMBER OLSEN:

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COMMITTEE MEMBER SIMMONS:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Knowles?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KNOWLES:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Burke?

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Miller?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Veniez?

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Six yes votes and Southern California 7B is passed unanimously in both committees, and OAH will respond to that proposed recommendation. So, at this time, why don't we take a 15-minute break? We'll be back at 10:45 if … and we'll go back to agenda item 6. The dates … and I'll go over again, the dates would be Friday the 19th of February, February 26th, also a Friday, April 16th, and April 30th.

And that the times would be from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. It'll be done in a similar fashion. There'll be Northern California, there'll be Sacramento OAH, and Southern California, the San Diego office, and also by video conference. So, with that, Member Molina, you have a question?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Yeah, is there … the dates keep flying faster than my fingers can go. Is there a way you can pop that up in a chat window?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

What we'll do is, try and …

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Or send an email.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

If email, or, Trinity or one of the operations staff, when we come back, if we can just have that in a Word document and we can share it.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Okay.

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

Will do.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, thank you. And with that, we'll take a break to 10:45.

(Off the Record.)

MS. DORANTES:

Peter Paul, we're going to share the screen right now with the dates and times for the meetings. So, once all the members get all of the times written down, we'll stop sharing in order for everybody to show up on the screen again.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, thank you. If you can please put that up on the screen. So, I will read them. So, dates for Item 6: February 19, 2027, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. February 26, 2027, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM.

April 16, 2027, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. April 30, 2027, 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM. As I indicated, the locations for any one of those will be … for Southern California, physical location will be San Diego Office of Administrative Hearings. The physical location for Northern California will be the Sacramento Office of Administrative Hearings. It will also be broadcast via Zoom video webinar for anyone … for members to attend and members and the public to attend.

It will be a public meeting. A little bit … make sure that all the members have the dates. Okay, Ms. Dorantes, if you could stop sharing. Are there any discussions as to dates that are not available for members? Member Veniez.

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Thank you. I am likely not available on February 19th, but otherwise available.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Fajardo.

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

I had previously said I wasn't available, but I am available on all four dates. I don't have any issues with availability.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

So, with February 19th being not available for two members, would you … oh, Member Burke?

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Unavailable February 19th, available the rest of the dates.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

I'm unavailable April 16th, but I'm available all the rest of the days.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

So, it looks like the earliest available date which all members will be available is February 26th, and also available for April 30th. Is there a preference to have this done sooner than later?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

I would say sooner, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

I agree with Mr. Padron, and I would love for it to be sooner.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, so, based on that, we will take a vote for having the meeting on February 26th, from 9:30 to 11:30 AM for agenda item 6. Are you ready, Judge Yazigi?

ALJ YAZIGI:

I am.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay, starting off, to hold the meeting with members of the Advisory Committee and the facilitator to discuss the rules and procedures, for February 26th date. Member Padron?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Molina?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOLINA:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Mosqueda?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MOSQUEDA:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Fajardo?

COMMITTEE MEMBER FAJARDO:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Peitso?

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Yes.

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Yes, Your Honor.

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COMMITTEE MEMBER KNOWLES:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Burke?

COMMITTEE MEMBER BURKE:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Miller?

COMMITTEE MEMBER MILLER:

Yes, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Veniez?

COMMITTEE MEMBER VENIEZ:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Keaton?

COMMITTEE MEMBER KEATON:

Yes.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

It is passed. Six in Southern California, six in Northern California, OAH will schedule the next Special Advisory Committee meeting for that date.

We'll put forward the agenda item and update our website to make that announcement for the meeting. With that, it is time for public comment on any topic from members of the public. So, is there any public comment for any of the members of the public who've been attending this video conference?

UNKNOWN SPEAKER:

Judge Castillo, I'm not showing any hands for public comment, and there are no written comments.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Okay. Mr. Padron.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Yes, Your Honor. Being that there are no public comments on any other item not or any topic not otherwise on the agenda, I would like to see if we could review and/or if any other member has any comments concerning the agenda item number 7 that there was an OAH response to on 6/19/2026.

And my basic question is, it indicates that OAH will investigate and if this dashboard, which it explains what it is, can include aggregated information by school district about the type of issues alleged in the due process complaints and reasons for case closure, it basically leaves it open that you're going to investigate. My question is, has there been any update on this recommendation, and how is that going to proceed?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

We've contacted our IT department, the Department of General Services. They are actually working on it. We had tested a sample that they had provided us as to the layout of the dashboard, and that they are going back to see if they can pull the rest of the data off of our practice manager system in order to publish that.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Okay.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

That is the update. So, the last I received a couple weeks ago.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

And then would there be an update in letting us know, the committee members, when that's going to be established?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Actually, we'd notify when it goes live, everyone. It'd go out on the listserv. And then it's similar to like we received with the dashboard. In the past, we've had our existing dashboard issues with that, and members of the public have raised concerns that it wasn't updated, et cetera. Then based on those, we've contacted our IT department to have it fixed. So, the problems with the dashboard that we put forward, then go forward. But the initial look and feel is similar to the existing dashboard.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Thank you, Your Honor.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Member Peitso.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Thank you, Mr. Padron. I had the same question. Your Honor, I'm wondering if it doesn't go live before the next scheduled meeting in June, can we get an additional update at that time and have it placed on the agenda?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

You'll have a chance … anybody in the Committee can put it on the agenda. Additionally, any member of the public, which includes members of the Committee, can ask OAH as the status of it.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay. Well, can we get an additional update at the June meeting if it's not live by then?

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

I will consider that as an agenda item, so.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Well, if it's live, we won't. If it's live and there's concerns, members of the Committee can raise it as an agenda item. If it's live, as I indicated, we would notify everyone through our listserv that it is live.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

It will not be … if it's not live, then we'll have it on the agenda.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

We'll have it on the agenda as an OAH item.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

So, don't worry, it will not be a public … a member item, it will be an OAH item.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PEITSO:

Okay, thank you.

DIVISION CHIEF ALJ CASTILLO:

Any other? Okay, we'll be back, meet again on February 26th at 9:30 AM. Announcements and emails, et cetera, will be sent out. I'd like to thank everyone for their participation.

Please stop the recording and end the webinar.

COMMITTEE MEMBER PADRON:

Thank you, Your Honor.

(Off the Record.)

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