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MEMORANDUM

Integrated Services and Human Resources

Meeting of

01-13-16

TO: Wendy S. Tukloff, Ed.D., Superintendent
For Board of Trustees

FROM: Ray Avila, Ed.D., Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: **People First Language Resolution: 2016-01-13-A (LCAP Goal #7)**
(Action)

Recommendation

It is recommended the Board of Trustees adopt Resolution No. 2016-01-13-A endorsing "People First Language".

Background

In early 2015, the SELPA Administrators of California brought forth legislative language to California Assemblyman Santiago regarding Person First Language. The People First Resolution passed both the House of Representatives and the Senate in July of 2015 and is now the standard for all laws, policies and procedures in California at the state government level. Each SELPA in California has been encouraged to pass this same resolution. The San Mateo County SELPA passed this resolution at its Governing Board meeting in October of 2015.

This Resolution is now available for any local Education Board to consider, edit and adopt at the local level, as deemed appropriate. This is a voluntary resolution that SELPA encourages all districts to consider for adoption.