

**BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
GOVERNING BOARD OF THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**SPECIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

3:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 11, 2024

333 South Beaudry Avenue, Board Room, Los Angeles, CA 90017

**Committee Members**

Mr. Scott M. Schmerelson, Chairperson  
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Dr. Rocío Rivas, Board Member

**District Members**

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Dr. Jose Soto, Executive Director of Special  
Education  
Ms. Alesha Haase, Administrator of Instruction,  
Division of Special Education

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Ms. Teresa Victoria Ann Mui, Board District 3, Parent  
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## **AGENDA**

**I. Welcome and Introductions** ..... Mr. Scott M. Schmerelson  
Chairperson

**II. Committee Presentations**

1. Division of Special Education Listen and Learn Campaign ..... Dr. Jose Soto  
Executive Director of Special Education

2. Division of Special Education Updates ..... Ms. Kristin Lambert  
Administrator, Operations,  
Division of Special Education

Ms. Alesha Haase  
Administrator of Instruction,  
Division of Special Education

**III. Closing Remarks** ..... Mr. Scott M. Schmerelson  
Chairperson

**IV. Public Comment**

**V. Adjournment**

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