

**Council for Quality Education & Care of Children
(formerly Local Child Care Planning Council)**

Wednesday, October 7, 2015

8:30 a.m.

SJCOE, Wentworth Education Center, Greenwood 3

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

Amy Chi called the regular meeting of the Council for Quality Education & Care of Children (CQECC) formerly Local Child Care Planning Council to order at 8:38 a.m.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

A quorum to conduct business was established.

Consumers Present: Valerie Denero, Zulema Gomez, and Tiffanie Panella

Consumers Excused: Rena Damele

Consumers Not Present:

Discretionary Present: Amy Chi, Suzanne Coleman, Nancy Leal, and Angie Lopez

Discretionary Excused: Katy Downs-Stroh

Discretionary Not Present:

Public Agency Present: Florence Costamagna and Debra Keller

Public Agency Excused: Brandi Harrold

Public Agency Not Present: Kandi Lind

Community Present: Oletha Murry and Marijayne Patterson

Community Excused:

Community Not Present:

Providers Present:

Providers Excused: Gabrielle DeHoff, Carolyn Lenz, and Franzi Lilly-Rockey

Providers Not Present:

Guests: Lani Schiff-Ross, Billi Jo Zopfi, and Dorene Jow (First 5), Aileen Lord (SJCOE), Wanda Farinelli-Miktin (VMRC), Lisa Culley (FRN), Amy Silva (CCCI), and Bobby Hawke (Lakeshore)

Staff: Cathy Long, Ann Siegel, Jamie Baiocchi, and Melinda Stapleton

Staff Excused:

III. OLD BUSINESS

IV. NEW BUSINESS

V. ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR ACTION

A. Approval to accept the minutes from the September 2, 2015 Meeting

Suzanne made a motion to accept the minutes from the September 2, 2015 meeting as presented. Motion passed.

M (S. Coleman)

S (O. Murry)

Ayes – 10

Nays – 0

Abstentions – 1 (Wanda)

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee

Angie shared the committee met on Wednesday, September 30th at Toot Sweets and discussed the following:

- Evaluation responses from the Outdoor Classroom workshop indicate providers are requesting more DRDP 15 trainings.
- DRDP 15 training is set for Saturday, October 10, 2015. Registration fee is \$20.00; contact Cathy Long for more information at 209-468-5979.
- Ethics workshops begin on Monday, October 12, 2015 at CAPC and will continue through December 31, 2015 at various locations.
- Lisa Colley will become a member in the Community category and provide representation from the Family Resource Network.
- CDE Input Sessions are set for 10/8 and will be hosted by SJCOE. The three sessions are: Monthly Eligibility, Licensing Exempt Monitoring, and Professional Development.
- The next Executive Committee meeting will be Wednesday, Oct. 21st at Toot Sweets, at 2:30 p.m.

Amy shared that she is presenting the DRDP 15 training on Oct. 10th at no cost, as this presentation is for sustainability. There will also be additional two hour trainings for your agencies, if requested.

Budget Update

Cathy stated that there have been no expenditures.

Quality & Accessibility

Amy shared discussion by the committee as follows:

- Ethics and DRDP trainings
- Will send out survey to all staff to get an overall picture of trainings needed
- Ethics Trainings with Angela Beyer are as follows:
 - 10/12/15 – CAPC (9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.) and (1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.)
 - 10/26/15 – Lincoln USD
 - 10/28/15 – SUSD
 - 11/2/15 – MUSD
 - 12/7/15 – SJCOE (9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.)
 - 12/9/15 – El Concilio
 - 1/13/16 – SJDC
 - CCCI and Lodi USD still need to be scheduled and possibly a Saturday workshop. The minimum number to attend a workshop is ten.

Consumer & Provider Advocacy

Zulema shared discussion by the committee as follows:

- They are working on an advocacy packet to share with consumers and parents who are looking for quality care for their children.
- Brochure to share at next month's meeting.

Governance

Tiffanie shared discussion by the committee as follows:

- Review the bylaws and to check for all the places to change the name and any other recommended changes before going to the Board of Supervisors.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

Staff Report

Cathy shared the following:

- The CCCCA conference is next week in San Jose. CDE will provide updates on TK & QRIS, Infant Toddler QRIS, and Preschool Expansion opportunities.

- CCDA & CAEYC conferences are scheduled for the end of October.

AB212 Update

Jamie shared the following:

- Olivia is in Southern California at a PAT training.
- The new 15-16 application is due Feb. 28, 2016 – dates & instructions are in the LPC website.
- The Advisory Committee has reviewed the application for the AB 212 Stipend Program and renamed it the “Early Education Stipend Program Application” for use with the TK (all state funded early educators) and QRIS programs.
- Mandatory stipend workshops are scheduled where numbered applications will be distributed. Past practice has proven that the workshops help to decrease errors on the submitted AB 212 applications.
- It has been determined that the applicants will be allowed to call in and ask questions regarding the receipt of their application and to verify its completion.
- Olivia will offer one on one T/A for applicants as time allows and has asked that staff be encouraged to call in and check on their application prior to the deadline date of Feb. 28, 2016.
- There will be an attempt to call applicants if documents are missing from the application. A call log will be kept and call tracked prior to the deadline.

TKS

Jamie shared the following:

- TK certificate programs for 24 units are starting at TCSJ and SJDC
- The application instructions and workshop dates will be posted on the LPC website

Suzanne shared that SJDC has an application online for CDTC dollars.

QRIS

Aileen shared the following:

- She has been out connecting with programs and letting them know that the QRIS team is ready to coach and begin to rate sites and centers.
- She is setting up meetings with teachers and sharing the roles of the Block Grant, the scoring process and the assignment of coaches. The program is becoming organized, more functional, and will implement the MTP (My Teaching Partner), many teachers are ready for this program.

Jamie shared the possibility of another two day CLASS training with a minimum of 15 and a maximum of 20 registered. Be sure to let her know if your staff needs this training.

First 5 Update

Lani shared and distributed handouts for the following:

- Covered California open enrollment starting November through January.
- The Expanded MediCal – starting in May all income eligible children will be eligible for MediCal and schools will handout information.
- The Right Start Commission will be at the Chavez Library on El Dorado Oct. 8th from 2 – 4 p.m.
- RTT applications are still being accepted.
- Health & Safety Mini grants are being reviewed.
- The next Commission meeting is set for Oct. 29th at 8:00 a.m. at Public Health on Hazelton.
- The next Planning Meeting is set for Oct. 28th at 2:00 p.m. with the location TBD.
- IMPACT (Improve and Maximize Programs So All Children Thrive) is a five year program to promote a coordinated Early Learning and Development System in the counties and across the state. This program will work together with RTT and QRIS.
- The San Joaquin A+ Spirit of Literacy award nominations are due by Oct. 23rd and can be mailed to: San Joaquin A+, P. O. Box 7576, Stockton, CA 95267 or sent by email to: SJAREAD@aol.com.

VIII. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Cathy stated that she will share as they come in.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Suzanne shared that at the state meeting, it was stated that there will be a combining of programs and a “stacking of funding”.

Debra stated that the Right Start Commission Conversation meeting on Oct. 8th from 2 – 4 p.m. with Michael Tubbs, but this is not the best time for parents to attend. Parents prefer evenings or Saturdays.

Lani added that this meeting was scheduled quickly and this was the only time that Right Start could present.

Tiffanie distributed flyers for the Community Connections and shared that website has been updated with new categories to make it more user friendly.

Bobby Hawke, Lakeshore, shared that he will be attending the CAEYC National show and to let him know who will be attending, he may be able to put you on a VIP list.

Suzanne shared that the SJDC curriculum alignment project is ongoing with the updating of the permit matrix and talk of an Early Childhood Credential.

Wanda thanked everyone for distributing the back pack workshop in September; they had great numbers with 70 parents attending – inclusive education for children with special needs.

Family Resource Network has “Power of Play” workshop on Oct. 29th with slots available. Also available are the Early Start to School, musical play groups, and a toy lending library.

Jamie thanked Bobby for the Lakeshore support by providing puppets and paint to the ECE Symposium and for working with the Head Start Partners.

Jamie also shared the following regarding Head Start:

- Informative postcards will be sent out to the parents of 2800 children with website information and include parent meeting dates to attend and provide information when the Head Start centers will open.
- CCCI has a few sites up and running with Head Start slots.
- CAP K is serving Early Head Start that are all home based.
- FRRC has hired staff that are being trained in ERSEA – Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance.
- Monthly Head Start Board meetings will be held at SJCOE.
- ChildPlus is activated.
- Monthly Partner meetings will be initiated.

Angie shared that the City of Stockton will provide annual fire inspections to centers at a cost of \$298 per center. The fire inspection fees are less outside of the city limits.

Cathy shared that there are openings for the DRDP 15 training on Oct. 10th and agencies that will be covering the cost for employees should contact her. Call Cathy for more information.

X. AGENDA SETTING

XI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

M (V. Denero) **S** (Z. Gomez)

The next meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. held on Nov. 4, 2015, SJCOE, Wentworth Education Center, Emerson (upstairs), 2707 Transworld Drive, Stockton.