



**Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County
MEETING MINUTES**

August 5, 2016

SCOE, 5340 Skylane Boulevard, Redwood Room C, Santa Rosa CA 95403

Minutes approved on September 9, 2016

*The mission of the Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County is
to convene and inspire the community through collaboration, leadership and advocacy
to promote and plan for quality child care and development
for the benefit of all children (birth to 12), their families and Sonoma County.*

Members Present: Carrie Anabo, Debbie Blanton, Soledad Cardona, Melanie Dodson, Lisa Grocott, Rebecca Hachmyer, Alice Hampton, Alicia Morales, Kellie Noe, John Paul, Marianne Schwarz-Kesling, Heather Sweet-Krikac, Sonya Valiente, Margie Vondrak

Members Absent: Noel Mitchell

Members Notified Absent: Megan Hede**, Kathy Kelley, Jason Riggs, Cathy Vaughn, Terry Ziegler

Advisory Members Present: none

Advisory Members Absent: Ed Sheffield

Advisory Members Notified Absent: Manisha Gupta

Guests Present: Maria Banuelos, Missy Danneberg, Angie Dillon-Shore, Victoria Fleming, Michelle Fox, Susan Langer, Sandra Lemus, Danny Loureiro, Lara Magnusdottir, Jennie Snyder, Maleese Warner

Staff Present: Susy Marrón, Patty Bernstein

**Indicates pending Board of Supervisors appointment

Topic	Discussion	Action	Follow-Up
1. Call to order**, Introductions, Inspiration		Melanie Dodson, outgoing co-chair, called the meeting to order at 9:03 am. After introductions were made, Melanie shared inspirational quotations.	
2. Approval of/Revisions to Agenda**		On motion by Carrie Anabo, second by Sonya Valiente, the agenda was approved as revised (corrected numbering) by unanimous vote.	

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3. Consent Calendar a. CCPC Meeting Minutes of 5/6/16		The CCPC Meeting Minutes of 5/6/16 were approved as submitted by unanimous consent.	
4. Follow-up on May's Hot Topic: CCPC 2016-2017 Priorities	<p>Priorities that were set at the May Retreat were reviewed: essentially "What committees do we need to complete the goals set?" Data and Finance were combined. Continuing committees include Membership, Public Policy, and Executive. The Wage and Compensation Committee was established to be chaired by Alice Hampton. The Executive Committee took on the Town Hall as a potential annual event.</p> <p>The Children's Initiative is working on a 2-year plan with the community for the November 2018 ballot. We should have much input on this process.</p>		<p>Action Plans and requests for funds will be presented and approved at September meeting. Susy sent a template out via email.</p> <p>The Child Care Plan 2016-2021 will be presented to the Board of Supervisors at their September 13 meeting. Susy will send out a reminder and an invitation to attend to show support.</p>
5. Hot Topic: Overview of CCPC Programs	<p>Prior to the presentation, recent (fiscal year 2016-17) staff transition was explained. Missy Danneberg left the Interim Coordinator position. Susy Marrón was hired as Coordinator. Marjorie Lear's last day as Program Assistant was June 30. She accepted a position in the Sonoma State University library. Interviews to fill the Program Assistant position were on Monday and reference checks are being made on the final two candidates. (Seventeen applications were received for this position.)</p>		

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<p>Overview of CCPC Programs</p>	<p>Coordinator Susy Marrón presented a Power Point overview of where the CCPC program funding comes from and highlighted the accomplishments from 2015-2016 in the following areas: Child Care Planning Council, AB212-CRET (salary/retention incentive program), California Transitional Kindergarten Stipend (CTKS) Program, CARES Quality Counts, and Quality Counts Assessments, as well as a pie chart indicating the break-down of all 2016-17 funding.</p> <p>Melanie suggested that all should share appreciation of CCPC with the Commission. We want to be able to sustain stipends going forward.</p> <p>Questions were asked and answered regarding rolling over funds. (Neither First 5 contracts or State funds roll over.)</p> <p>Reduced contract money, which reduced amount of money for staff.</p> <p>Melanie expressed pleasure with the amount of funding that we actually have, pointing out that previous numbers were not as positive.</p> <p>If members and guests are confused by our acronyms, they may find them explained on the CCPC website under Resources.</p> <p>http://scoe.org/pub/htdocs/child-care-resources.html Search for ECE Glossaries and Resources</p>		

<p>6. Child Care Consumers/Child Care Providers Input/Member Announcements</p>	<p>Chair-elect John Paul continued the meeting when Melanie Dodson had to leave.</p> <p>Lisa Grocott announced that CAP Sonoma is applying for a grant for the 72 new infant-toddlers spots are being created and is looking for child care partners (both centers and family child care). Her email is <lgrocott@capsonoma.org></p> <p>Rebecca Hachmyer reported that the Children’s Workshop of Petaluma has closed because they were unable to meet their contract. 4Cs has opened Cloverdale.</p> <p>Lara MagnUSDottir announced slots open at Roseland’s Apples and Bananas, though they must be filled from residents within Roseland School District.</p> <p>Alicia announced that they are hiring for all positions. She will send a flyer to Susy.</p> <p>Lara MagnUSDottir reported that Jessica Holmes, an analyst at the California Department of Finance, will be interview contractors at 4Cs on August 18, 1-3pm. She pointed out this great opportunity to share the impact of the Governor’s Budget on Early Childcare and Education. Lisa will send an email to confirm.</p> <p>Susy welcomed new Deputy Superintendent Jennie Snyder, previously superintendent of Piner-Olivet Union School District, who replaces Mickey Porter in Educational Services.</p>		
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7. Public (non-members) Comment on non-agendized items	Missy invited people to join the group planning the Provider Appreciation event in April. Those interested should send an email to fwdann@sbcglobal.net		
8. Coordinator's Report	Susy Marrón reported concerning the September 13 presentation of the 2016-2021 Child Care Plan to the Board of Supervisors and asked support from council members, guests, and interested parties at that meeting. Hiring update: the Program Assistant position will be offered next week. We hope to have someone in position in September.		
9. Executive Committee Report	John Paul reported that on the July retreat at the home of Co-Chair Jason Riggs. Among the issues they discussed were the 2016-2021 Child Care Plan and the presentation to the BOS, the Children's Initiative, the Executive Committee's Action Plan for year (taking on the Town Hall, selecting areas that align with supervisorial districts or particular geographical areas of the county), transitioning from Missy to Susy, and recruiting new members for the Council.		
10. Membership Committee Recruitment	Debbie Blanton has contacted several people, making them aware of opening on the Child Care Planning Council and various committees. One membership application (from Missy Danneberg) has been received so far. Debbie will set a date to meet before the next Council meeting. Strategies are invited. There are openings in most every category. Email Susy smarron@scoe.org with your preferences.		

<p>11. Finance Committee Report</p>	<p>Acting Treasurer Margie Vondrak reported on the July 21 meeting of the Finance Committee.</p> <p>The Committee reviewed last year's budget (reported that all state contracts were spent, gave back to First5 to reinvest into the ECE field.) They reviewed this year's budget and found mismatches, so are working with SCOE Business Services accountant Lee Ann Reeder to reconcile the budget, and will present a revised/reconciled budget to the Council in September.</p>		
<p>12. Public Policy Committee Report</p>	<p>Rebecca Hachmyer reported that they are working on a draft of their committee's Action Plan.</p> <p>No policy update per se.</p> <p>Lara reported that legislation is winding down, but pointed to AB2150-Subsidized Child Care and Development Services Eligibility (Santiago and Weber), which will bring the state into compliance with the federally required 12-months of child care assistance by relaxing the unrealistic reporting timelines that harm families the most. The income ceiling is higher in order to comply with federal requirements. The budget offers some increases to child care, but not as much as we'd hoped for. We need to advocate at the state level to see increases from the federal government.</p> <p>John Paul reported on AB492 Diaper Supplement for Eligible CalWORKs Families. (Gonzalez and Gomez). AB 492 would offer a</p>		<p>Sandra Lemus will send template of a letter of support for AB2150 to Susy. Susy will send out to Council.</p>

	<p>monthly \$50 supplement per child age 2 or younger to parents enrolled in CalWORKs who also qualify for the childcare benefit. It will address a top barrier to entering a staying in the workforce for parents who want to maintain their CalWORKs plans: access to childcare. Providing a monthly \$50 supplement to be used only on diaper purchases would be making a small investment in the overall success of the CalWORKs to help keep thousands of families on track. The bill would pay for diapers for day-care.</p> <p>The Maximum Family Grant Rule, a policy that prohibits people from receiving increased welfare income if they have more children while receiving public assistance, is due to be repealed on January 1, 2017, when families who were not compensated for additional births will receive retroactive monies.</p>		
13. Adjournment	Participants were reminded to complete in-kind funds form and meeting surveys.	Meeting adjourned at 10:38am by unanimous consent.	