



LPC Steering Committee Minutes July 16, 2021

"The Alameda County Early Care & Education Planning Council advises and makes recommendations to policymakers to ensure that all children and families have access to quality child care that educates children and enriches their lives."

Attendees:

Kristina Adams, Shruti Agarwal, Neva Bandelow, Trisha Barua, Jennifer Cabán, Yesenia Chavez, Vincent Cheng, Ana Del Aguila, Lisa Erickson, Diana Garcia, Nanette Gray, Renee Herzfeld, **Katie Honnigar**, **Kym Johnson**, Rowena Kamo, Gabby Mejia, Julie Nicholson, Ana Rasquiza, Lorita Riga, Michele Rutherford, Tatiana Smith, Michele Stillwell-Parvensky, Nancy Strohl, Makinya Ward, LaWanda Wesley, Stephanie Wright

Call to Order:

- Meeting called to order by Chair Katie Honnigar at 10:03 AM

Consent Calendar - Actions:

- Approved the July 16, 2021 Agenda. May 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes will be approved at September 17 meeting
 - The Chair called for a motion to approve the agenda. Kym Johnson moved and Jennifer Cabán seconded.
 - The motion passed with no abstentions

Presentations and Discussion:

- Presentation: Needs Assessment (Michele Rutherford and Rowena Kamo, First 5 Alameda)
 - Needs assessment findings
 - Q&A and discussion
- Presentation: Reopening Guidelines (Lisa Erickson, Alameda County Public Health)
 - Topics included updated child care guidance, positive case reporting, health screening resources, and Cal/OSHA requirements. This presentation is aimed for childcare providers.
 - Q&A and discussion
- Reconvening In Person/Virtual, Brown Act Requirements
 - We will begin to convene again in person in October. Until then we will continue to meet virtually via Zoom. Committee members attending virtually beginning October 1, 2021 must publicly state their specific location at the commencement of the meeting and provide the specific location (address) of the meeting site. The meeting location must be publicly posted 72 hours in advance of the meeting and be accessible to the public. Members who do attend remotely, will not be counted towards quorum should you attend the meeting outside of Alameda County.

Planning Council Business:

Committee Reports:

- **Executive Committee**
 - Working on the transition to ACOE for the past year. Everyone is welcome to join the Executive Committee especially if you have interest in a leadership role as a Steering Committee member. Reminder to let the Executive Committee know if you have ideas, comments, late breaking news and/or anything that needs to be addressed.
- **Public Policy Committee**

- Committee report highlighted and covered a lot of the bills that were discussed over the last few months. A quick overview of budgets: AB128 was a placeholder for the ECE budget to meet the 6.30 deadline. AB131 passed by legislature 7.15.21 and is pending Governor's signature. This bill includes provider stipend information. SB129 (reaffirming TK) was signed on 7.13.21. Overall budget is 263 billion dollar budget overall and provides SPED grant funding, CSPP direct deposits. SB130 gives more detail about TK. AB and SB164 adjusts DOE funding through the ECE trailer bill. AB131 is the ECE trailer bill language pending Governor's signature.
- **Quality Advisory Committee:**
 - The Quality Committee is taking a closer look at dual language learners and the Goldman School of Public Policy has done a report. In the process of refreshing and updating the Quality Statement. Looking to develop a platform of all Quality statements. Continuing conversation around AB22. Workforce Pathways alignment happening so that professional development is more efficiently tracked. Next meeting is July 22, 2021. Looking for a co-chair for this committee.
- **State Contractors Committee:**
 - Looking to dive into the deeper questions regarding field and ground work in regards to Covid and public health.

Announcement:

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Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:03 PM.