



State Contractors Committee Meeting Minutes January 26, 2023 Meeting

Attendance taken by Patricia Ramos

Attendees:

Susan Jeong, Angela Cabrera, Page Tomblin, **Alameda County Office of Education**; Lorita Riga, Consultant, **Alameda County Pilot Manager**; Robyn Levinson, Dave Sandoval, Jennifer Caban, **City of Oakland**; Mike Pereira, LaTae Willis, **Ala Costa Centers**; Raquel Balingit, Virginia Hunt, **Alameda USD**; Carmen Ortiz, **Chabot College**; Nereyra Houle, Alyssa Corrigan, **Kidango**; Meuy Saephan, Pamm Shaw, Daryl Bright, **YMCA East Bay**; Darrell Whitacre, Marina Moreida, **Regents of UC Berkeley**; Kristina Adams, **Hayward USD**; Alexandra Hilario, Carmen Baires, **Saint Vincent Day Home**; Beverly Taub, **Fremont USD**; Christi Roscigno, Linda Morgan, Maria Carriedo, **Berkeley USD**; Deborah McFadden, **Supporting Future Growth CDC**; Veronica Ufoegbune, **Ephesian Children's Center**; Erica Harrell, **Peralta Community College**; Gwen Babayo, Kevin Lacy, LaToya Singleton, Lorraine Provost, **24 Hour Oakland Parent-Teacher**; Jennifer Tomita, **Castro Valley USD**; Linda Bounsalat, **Alameda Family Services**; Mia Lopez, Natasha Hall-Sevilla, **The Primary School**; Mona Shirk, Milena Sanhueza, **Hively**; Sally Chou, Mira Djuric, **4C Alameda**; Monique Liebhard, **Pleasanton USD**; Quinetta Lewis, **St. Mary's Center**; Rosie Jara, **Unity Council**; Stephen Day, **LakeShore Learning**

- I. Call to Order (Welcome, Introductions, Attendance)
 - The chair, Erica Harrell, called the meeting to order at 1:04 pm.
- II. Public Comment on Agenda and Minutes
 - Angela Cabrera, ACOE, will be moving to First 5 as the Senior Administrator for Workforce Development starting February 21st.
- III. Review and approval of agenda and November minutes
 - Mona Shirk motioned and Kristina Adams seconded to approve the change in the January 26th agenda (Lorita Riga's presentation after Page Tomblin's).
 - Review and approval of November 17th minutes and January 26th agenda:
 - Darrell Whitacre made a motion to approve the November 17th minutes and January 26th agenda. Carmen Maria Ortiz

seconded.

- o Roll call was called for approval by the members. The November minutes and January agenda were approved unanimously (Absentations: Kristina Adams, Jennifer Caban, and Ala Costa Centers).

IV. State Contractors Network is seeking a co-chair*

- Please contact Erica Harrell (eharrell@peralta.edu) or Susan Jeong (sjeong@acoe.org) if you are interested in serving as co-chair
- **All Committee Chairs are appointed by the Chair of the ACECEPC*
 - i. Darrell Whitacre volunteered to be co-chair.

V. Breakout: What's on your non-work related mind?

VI. [Governor's Budget Proposal](#) Update - Page Tomblin, Policy Consultant

- Every year the budget process starts around January 10th where the governor proposes the budget (where we are at right now).
- The governor's budget projects a ~\$30 billion dollar deficit than what was estimated in last year's Budget Act.
- The budget includes:
 - i. Transitional Kindergarten: Governor will continue on the road to full implementation in 2025-26 and support the addition of one additional certificated/classified staff person in TK classrooms (keeping 12:1 ratio).
 - ii. Subsidized Child Care: Governor will continue funding new subsidized child care slots added in 2021-22 and 22-23, and Alameda County will continue to be reimbursed by our region market rate.
 - iii. California State Preschool Program: They are continuing on the path to have at least 10% of all students be students with disabilities by next year and 7.5% this year, and they will support the implementation of the preschool Classroom Assessment Scoring System.
- The budget does not include continuation of the family fee waiver and the pandemic related hold harmless, and due to delays there are budget cuts in the investment in FDK Program and implementation of Preschool Inclusion Grants.

VII. Presentation & Discussion- Lorita Riga, Alameda County Pilot Manager

- [Management Bulletin \(MB\) 23-01](#)

- MB 23-01 provides more information on the policies that became effective on July 1, 2022 in regards to the extended eligibility period for part-day and full-day CSPP, the increase in income eligibility, and the new category eligibility for children with exceptional needs.
- There is also more guidance on the policies that became effective on September 27, 2022 in regards to extending the FRPM eligibility

to 3-year-olds and the ability for full-day CSPP programs to enroll families with incomes that are 15% over income threshold.

- The big one that came out in the bulletin is in regards to a policy that became effective January 1, 2023 in regards to categorical eligibility for families receiving benefits from governmental programs.
 - There are more updates on ability to provide extended learning and care to enrolled TK and Kinder children in a part-day CSPP program, the Enrollment Priorities for part-day and full-day CSPP programs, and updates on non-countable income.
- [Child Care Bulletin \(CCB\) 22-37](#)
- CCB 22-37 provides guidance on the implementation of SB 1047:
 - Effective January 1, 2023, eligibility period, regardless of need, for families enrolled in CCTR, CFCC, CMIG, CMAP, CHAN, and CAPP, has been extended to 24-months or end of program year, if the child is age-eligible.
 - Any families who were certified or recertified December 31, 2022 or earlier will remain unchanged.
- Child Care Pilot Update
- 9 counties in the state of California whose Pilot will be expiring at the end of June came together to write a bill to extend the Pilot, but has not been introduced just yet.

VIII. Alameda County Apprenticeship Program

- Daryl Bright and Pamm Shaw from YMCA of the East Bay presented the Early Education Apprenticeship Program

IX. Follow-up on November Discussion

- Workforce pipeline for infant-toddler early educators
 - i. Susan, Erica, and Darrell will draw up some talking points to have a big discussion on why this is critically important and why it should be part of UPK effort
 - ii. Some good talking points for a bigger discussion are the pipeline that starts at birth, how we are bridging the split contracts (CSPP v CDSS), and recommendations on what alignment should look like.
- First 5 Alameda County Workforce TaskForce Update
 - i. This workforce is tasked to come up with 30 recommendations in order to provide a landscape of what is currently being funded, resourced, and supported in terms of workforce efforts. Also, how can we move forward from there and what resources can be funneled into the system.

X. Open Discussion

- State Budget proposal changes: Family Fees/Hold Harmless
- How is the 5% enrollment for inclusion going?
 - i. It is not an issue for Head Start programs because it is 10% for them

- ii. Many have partnership with agencies and are able to get the children
- iii. Reach out to Special Ed programs because they are completely overwhelmed because there's not enough people to serve them
- Juneteenth Holiday & Service Calendar
- Were any program facilities impacted by the recent storms?
- How are programs experiencing the lead testing requirement?
 - i. Some counties have found there are differing assessors coming around
- Other topics?- Class size

XI. Community Updates/Public Comment

XII. Adjourn– Meeting adjourned at 2:56 pm.