



Tuesday, January 26, 2021
1:00-2:30 PM

Virtual

Council Members: Michele Blake, Kimberly Butcher, Lena Webb, Paul Tupaz, Ericka Summers, Kathy Woods, Leslie Cena, Denice Burbach, Ivona Mikesell, Adrienne Maloney, Jodie Keller, Jennifer Ybarra, Fawn Uebershear, Julie Price

Council Members Absent: Kristi Johnson

Council Staff: Tonya Byers, Matt Eddy

Guests: None

Meeting called to order at 1:01 PM by Leslie Cena.

I. Introductions

II. General Information Sharing

None at this time.

III. Approve December Council Minutes - Action Item

Motion to Approve: Denice Burbach

Second: Kathy Woods

Motion Carried

IV. Reports

A. Standing Committees

1. Quality Improvement and Capacity Building

Denice shared that QICB met on January 13, 2020 and discussed the Keys to Quality Workforce pathways. Tonya is currently collecting documentation on Fall Stipends. First 5 is working on a survey to collect ECE provider interest for the COVID vaccine. Coaching staff will be working with sites virtually into the spring. New sites have enrolled, including Yuba College. For the Spring Conference, committee discussed the possibility of Rosemarie Allen as a special event/keynote speaker.

2. Public Policy

Ericka discussed the CDE & QCC equity and transition surveys, at this time, information is no longer being gathered for the surveys. ECE has been discussed as a priority for the COVID-19 vaccinations. Blueprint for Responsible Budget document outlined current budget recommendations and what the deficit over the next few years might look like. First 5 is still providing support for the digital divide as part of support to FFN's. At the Federal level, the anticipated COVID relief funds were reviewed.

3. Executive Steering

Leslie shared that the Council has not received new applications for membership. In Yuba County, there is a Parent Consumer position and a Community Representative position that is vacant. Sutter County has a Parent Consumer position and a Discretionary position that is open as well.

Tonya shared that the PDG-I funds were able to be allocated, with \$300 remaining in each county. Part of the funding went to hosting COVID related ECE administrative professional learning community meetings in December. Some funds went to purchasing emergency supplies that will be distributed on February 16, 2020 (tentative). The bulk of the funds were spent on purchasing supplies to provide social-emotional/calming kits that will be distributed to QCC providers.

a. **2019-2020 Sutter & Yuba County Funding Landscape- Action Item**

Some additional data is needed, and CCPC staff hopes to present the documents in February.

B. Keys to Quality

1. **Keys to Quality QCC Program– Update**

Coaches are continuing to meet with sites and recruiting new sites. The coaching staff are working with the stipend participants as they prepare to move into the second semester.

2. **2020-2021 Workforce Pathways Stipend Program Fall Stipend Approval – Action Item**

The Council will review and recommend approval of Yuba, Sutter, & Colusa fall semester participant stipends.

Motion to Approve: Paul Tupaz

Second: Adrienne Maloney

Motion Carried

Abstain: Jodie Keller, Kathy Woods, Fawn Ubrerschaer, Lena Webb

C. Budget Update

1. **Review Year to Date LPC Expenses**

Tonya reviewed LPC expense report. There were no questions.

D. Update on First 5 Commissions

1. **Sutter CFC**

Michele discussed that calming kits that will soon be distributed to childcare providers. SCCFC is currently working on a partnership with CCPC and First 5 Yuba for the distribution of emergency supplies. SCCFC received a new Chairman. Funding is still available from Packard Foundation to allow the purchase of supplies such as Chromebooks or WiFi's for FFN's.

2. **First 5 Yuba**

Ericka discussed the Commission's review of the new 2021-2026 strategic plan last week. This will be voted on at the next Commission meeting on February 25, 2021. First 5 Yuba also received a new Commissioner.

V. **Needs Assessment Survey Regarding COVID-19 – Action Item**

The Council discussed the allocation of LPC funds for community/provider COVID-19 surveys regarding changing early care and education needs.

Motion to Approve: Adrienne Maloney

Second: Denice Burbach

Motion Carried

VI. New Business

None at this time.

VII. Old Business

None at this time.

VIII. Report from Staff

A. Governor's Budget Proposal and ECE

Tonya discussed Governor Newsom's Budget Proposal released on January 8, 2020. The budget intends to build upon prior investments in ECE, but has few new investments. There are some one time general funds that have been allocated around COVID-19. The budget funds the lift and shift from the California Department of Education to the Department of Social Services that takes effect on July 1, 2020. These funds typically allocated to CDE will be shifted over to CDSS (\$31.7 million dollars). In addition, a proposed extension to the temporary augmentation for the Emergency Childcare Bridge Program will be extended from December 31, 2021 to December 31, 2022. There is a proposed allocation available over multiple years to expand TK for all four year-olds, and an allocation to assist with facilities for TK.

B. Children Now Letter Prioritizing Children in 2021

Tonya shared a letter that she signed on to on behalf of the Council. Children Now asked that children be prioritized in the state budget and called out mental health and other issues that families are experiencing at the moment.

C. Federal COVID-19 Relief and ECE

Tonya discussed Biden's proposal including a push to look at expanding access to high quality affordable childcare, the need to address the hardships that childcare providers have been going through due to the COVID-19 pandemic and to be able to augment the services available for families. There is a proposed \$25 billion emergency stabilization fund which would help childcare providers that were in danger of closing. There is also a proposed expansion of childcare assistance and increased tax credit for families.

D. Zero to Three Recommendations for National Policy

Tonya discussed the Zero to Three recommendations that would benefit young children. Policy recommendations include the minimum wage increase to \$15.00 nationally, advocating for adding a child development specialist that can work with primary care teams to best address the needs of children zero to three, and new systems that help support the whole family.

E. CA Surgeon General's Roadmap for Resilience: Early Childhood Supports

Tonya discussed the CA Surgeon General's report addressing Adverse Childhood Experiences in California and plans for moving forward to prevent and mitigate those experiences. The report recognizes the value of early care and education settings and the

role that providers play in providing a safe, relationship-based setting for children and families.

IX. Good of the Order

Denice shared that the Sacramento State BA ECE/CD Program will be starting a new cohort at Yuba College in the fall. There is an information session on 1/28.

X. Adjournment

Jodie Keller motions to adjourn meeting at 2:04 PM

XI. Next Meeting: February 23, 2021

Standing Committee Information

Public Policy Committee

Members: *Ericka Summers, Jodie Keller, Adrienne Maloney, and Julie Price.

Next meeting: Second Tuesday of each month, 10:30-12 Noon.

Quality Improvement & Capacity Building Committee

Members: Denice Burbach*, Kathy Woods, Fawn Ueberschaer, Michelle Lightle, Karen Woods, and Jennifer Ybarra.

Next meeting: Second Wednesday of each month, 1:00-2:30 PM

Executive Steering Committee

Members: Leslie Cena*, Lena Webb, Kristi Johnson, Paul Tupaz, Ivona Mikesell, Kimberly Butcher, and Michele Blake.

Next meeting: Fourth Tuesday of each month, 12:00-1:00 PM