



Tuesday, August 24, 2021
Minutes

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

Council Members Absent: Kristie Drahos, Michelle Lightle, Fawn Ueberschaer, Kristi Johnson, Lena Webb

Council Staff: Tonya Byers, Matt Eddy

Meeting called to order at 1:04 PM by Leslie Cena.

I. Introductions

II. General Information Sharing

None at this time.

**III. Approve June Council Minutes - Action Item
Vote tabled until the September meeting.**

IV. Reports

A. Standing Committees

1. Quality Improvement and Capacity Building
QICB did not meet in August.

2. Public Policy

The committee met on August 10, 2021. The state budget updates were discussed. Also discussed were conversations about possible Trailer Bill language for LPC funding to support ECE facilities. This funding was not included in the final Trailer Bill language. The committee discussed current legislation related to early care and education. Jodie shared that Head Start had a great federal review for the Migrant Program and are working towards full enrollment in January.

3. Executive Steering

- a. CCPC 2020-2021 Highlights – Action Item

The Council reviewed and recommended approval of the 2020-2021 CCPC Highlights document.

Second: Ivona Mikesell

Motion Carried

- b. 2020-2021 Council Compliance and Annual Review - Discussion

The Council will review the 2020-21 Council Compliance and Annual Review documents.

The goal of these summaries is to show compliance with LPC mandates and reflect program year activities.

B. Keys to Quality

1. Keys to Quality QCC Program– Update

Tonya shared that there is a regional meeting later this week. Staff continues to reach out to sites for recruitment, and will be starting workshops and training in October. There will be a State QCC meeting in September that Tonya will be attending virtually. There will be a pause on rating any programs until January

2. 2021-2022 Workforce Stipend Program Enrollment – Update

Tonya shared that the enrollment application is live in the Workforce Registry and will continue to receive applications until the beginning of October. There will be 4 orientation workshops this year that will allow applicants to be able to participate in a zoom meeting to go over the program requirements.

3. Fall Conference - Update

Tonya shared that Dr. Rosemarie Allen will be presenting for the Fall Conference on Saturday October 16, 2021. It will be a virtual conference event that will be a 2-hour presentation on equity in early childhood. It will be free to the community and free to providers.

C. Budget Update

1. Review Year to Date LPC Expenses

Tonya discussed the Yuba and Sutter County LPC Expenses statements, reviewing that there are salary and benefit adjustments that are not yet reflected. It is expected that LPC will be receiving the cost-of-living increase that was approved through the state budget process in June.

D. Update on First 5 Commissions

1. Sutter CFC

Michele shared that Sutter CFC has received additional emergency supply distribution items from the State. September 17, 2021, there will be a distribution at 850 Grey Avenue from 11 AM – 1 PM with no registration needed.

The first in person Help Me Grow event will take place on September 2, 2021, from 10 AM – 12 PM and all COVID safety protocols will be in place.

Sector specific ACES/trauma trainings will begin on October 7, 2021

A commission meeting is scheduled for September 15, 2021

A school readiness assessment for this school year is being planned.

Sutter will be working with Yuba on acquiring American Rescue Plan funds.

2. First 5 Yuba

There is a commission meeting on September 2, 2021 at 3:30 PM.

First 5 Yuba will be doing a supply delivery tomorrow August 25, 2021 from 4:00 – 6:30 PM.

V. New Business

None at this time.

VI. Old Business

A. Needs Assessment – Discussion

1. Family and Provider Survey Results

Tonya reviewed the data collected from the Family and Provider survey.

VII. Report from Staff

A. State Early Care & Education Budget Update

Tonya reviewed highlights of the CA State Early Care and Education Budget

- \$250 million Child Care and Development Infrastructure Grant Program – acquisition, construction, development, and renovation of childcare facilities; \$150 million for new construction; \$100 million for repair and renovation – focus on childcare deserts

- Family fees waived through June 30, 2022

- Expanded access to subsidy slots in 21-22: 62,620 in APP; 46,080 in CCRT; 1,300 in CMAP; 500 in Bridge = 110,500 slots; \$130 million for LEA state preschool expansion full and part-day
- TK expansion beginning 2021-22 with parental choice; new quality conditions include ratios and group size; extends teacher requirements; CSPP can provide wrap-around care; Pre-Kindergarten Planning and Implementation Grant to districts and COEs
- \$490 million for PreK/TK/K Facilities Grants; new, retrofit, modernization for CSPP/TK expansion
- Licensed provider stipends: FCC \$3,500; \$3,500 for Center up to 14; \$4,000 for centers with 15-24; \$5,000 for centers with 25-60; \$6,500 for centers with 61+
- Effective January 1, 2022 vouchers will be reimbursed for 75th percentile of 2018 regional market rate; license-exempt reimbursed for 70% RMR; direct service contractors reimbursed at higher of RMR or current SRR allocation
- COLA of 4.05% effective July 1, 2021

B. Legislative Update

Tonya discussed ECE related legislation:

- AB22 – Active in Senate Appropriations Committee
- AB865 – Active in Senate Appropriations Committee
- AB1112 – Active in Senate Appropriations Committee
- AB1363 – Active in Senate Appropriations Committee
- SB50 – Active in Senate Appropriations Committee

C. National Partnership for Women & Families: The Cost of Inaction

Tonya discussed an article that discussed how current family care policies make it difficult for women to be in the workforce and how it is having a negative affect on the economy.

D. U.S. Senate 2022 Budget Resolution Agreement Framework

Tonya reviewed the highlights of the U.S Senate 2022 Budget Resolution Agreement Framework:

- The HELP Committee receives and instruction of \$726 billion
- Universal Pre-K for 3 and 4-year olds
- Child care for working families
- Tuition-free community college
- Investments in HBCUs, MSIs, HSIs, TCUs and ANNHIs
- School infrastructure, student success grants, and educator investments
- Investments in primary care, including Community Health Center, the National Health Service Corps, the Nurse Corps, and Teaching Health Center Graduate Medical Education
- Health equity (maternal, behavioral, and racial equity health investments)
- Pandemic preparedness
- Workforce development and job training

E. Zero to Three: State Strategies to Strengthen Infant-Toddler Care as Public Pre-K Expands

Tonya discussed an article that focuses on how TK expansion can negatively affect other providers and having an effect on the availability of infant and toddler care.

F. CSCCE: New Data Shows Early Educators Equipped to Teach TK

Tonya discussed a study that shows Early Education are Equipped to Teach TK. TK teachers are required to hold a Multiple Subject Teach Credential with 24 units of early child education or a waiver/exemption from the unit requirement.

Among TK teachers who responded to the survey, 90% have previous teaching experience in elementary grades K-3, however, far fewer have experience with younger children.

- 37 % of TK teachers have previous teaching experience in ECE settings with children younger than 5
- 34% of TK teachers have an associate degree or higher in early childhood education or child development

- 17% of TK teachers have a child development permit

VIII. Good of the Order

Paul shared that a tribal wellness center has been proposed in Oroville to address needs and utilize resources available as a result of the pandemic.

IX. Adjournment

Paul Tupaz motions to adjourn the meeting at 2:31 PM

Second: Jodie Keller

X. Next Meeting: September 28, 2021