



**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY EARLY CARE & EDUCATION PLANNING COUNCIL**

3350 Education Drive, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

www.sanluischildcare.org • info@sanluischildcare.org • 805.782.7370

**Executive Committee Meeting**

May 3, 2023 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Meeting Location (In Person with Zoom Option for Public Attendance):

San Luis Obispo County Office of Education  
3350 Education Drive, San Luis Obispo, CA 93405

Zoom Meeting ID: 970 6557 0097

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:**

Shana Paulson

Lauren Thorne

**Members Present via Zoom:**

Mika Buchanan

Jamie Sanbonmatsu

Lauren Handley

**Liaisons:**

Michael Specchierla

**Guests:**

Deja Knight (LPC Intern)

Kris Roudebush (First 5 SLO)

**Staff:**

Raechelle Bowlay

Nataly Renteria

Meeting called to order by Council Chair, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, at 9:02 AM with welcome and introductions.

- [Executive Meeting Presentation](#)

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to approve consent agenda, including adoption of the [agenda](#) and [March 1, 2023 minutes](#), made by Michael Specchierla, seconded by Lauren Thorne. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

YES: Lauren Thorne, Shana Paulson, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan

NO: None

Motion carried, results of the vote being: 4 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

**PUBLIC COMMENT & COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

No public comments or council member announcements were received.

## **BUDGET REVIEW**

Department budgets presented by LPC Coordinator, Raechelle Bowlay. Budget presentation included in meeting materials.

- Closing out CAAEYC Conference
- Working on the projections for the Quality Counts Stipends
- Attachment Included:
  - [CCPC Budgets 2022 – 2023](#)

## **COORDINATOR UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay**

- No update received.

## **QUALITY COUNTS UPDATE – Lauren Handley**

- May Professional Development 2022 – 2023 registrations open:
  - CPIN: Visual & Performing Arts Music & Movement
    - Saturday, May 6, 2023 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
    - [Register](#)
  - PITC: Creating Partnerships with Families and Early Identity Formation (*Online Class*)
    - Tuesday & Wednesday, May 9 & 10, 2023 5:30 – 7:30 PM
    - [Register](#)
  - CECO: CSEFEL Teaching Pyramid Framework (*Self-Paced*)
    - [Register](#)
  - Community of Practice: Reflecting on CECO Self-Paced Course (*Online Class*)
    - Tuesday, May 23, 2023 5:30 – 6:30 PM
    - [Register](#)
- 20 programs visited
- Delivered over 60 care packages thanking early educators for their dedication
- 45 stipend applications received as of May 3, 2023
  - Applications for [2022-2023 Quality Counts Incentives Program](#) are still available. Apply now through May 31, 2023.
  - Attachment: [Quality Counts Stipend Programs 2022-2023](#)
- Quality Counts extended support to over 40 Quality Counts Consortium partners and participating agencies to attend the 2023 CAAEYC Annual Conference
  - Cuesta College partners presented at the 2023 CAAEYC Annual Conference & Expo
    - Loose Parts: Inspirations in the Early Learning Environment
      - Laurinda Wagner, Madelyn Chevalier & Sara Madgett - Cuesta College
    - Group Time Favorites and Opportunities to Extend Language
      - Lea Waterbury, Cheri Ferguson & Laurinda Wagner - Cuesta College
    - Teaching Toddlers Good Food Habits
      - Lucia Aguirre, Micaela Padgett & Keith Holland - Cuesta College
    - Professional Goal Development Systems: Building and Applying to Career and Leadership Development
      - Katie Mervin
    - Ticket 2 Teach Early Care and Education Apprenticeship Program: An Overview from Multiple Perspectives
      - Katie Mervin & Ethan Glover
- Built supports for Inclusion, Infants/Toddlers, STEM, Professional Growth Advising, and Partnerships across the county
- Attended UPK Mixed Delivery Sessions

## **COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- **Workforce Development Subcommittee:** Supporting issues that affect the early care and education workforce including talent pipeline, professional development and career pathways.

- Committee Chair: Katie Mervin
- Priorities:
  - Mentor Selection Committee
  - Professional Growth System Update
- Activities & Highlights
  - Moving forward with Mentor Program
    - Selection Committee
    - Mentor Applications
  - Professional Growth Advisor Cadre
  - Continued alignment of programs/initiatives
- Next Meeting: Thursday, May 18, 2023 3:00 – 4:30 PM
- ECEPTS National Conference on ECE Apprenticeship
  - May 1-4, 2023 | Ontario, CA
  - [Ticket2Teach ECE Apprenticeship: A Countywide Collaboration in CA](#) – presented by Katie Mervin & Raechelle Bowlay
  - This presentation provided an overview of San Luis Obispo County's development and implementation of the Ticket 2 Teach ECE Apprenticeship program, concentrating on how partnerships and collaborative efforts within the community have helped build a larger system to support the program and ECE workforce.
- **Advocacy Subcommittee:** Engages local government and identifies advocacy opportunities at local, regional, and state level.
  - Committee Chair: Kris Roudebush
  - Activities & Highlights
    - May 17, 2023 – Airport Land Use Commission
    - [Developmentally Appropriate Practices \(DAP\) around the Country](#)
  - Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 24, 2023 1:30 – 2:30 PM
- **Economic Development Subcommittee:** Develops strategies that support early care and education as an essential part of local economy from the lens of providers as small businesses/employers and as a recruitment and retention strategy for businesses/employers.
  - Committee Chair: Shana Paulson
  - Priorities:
    - SLO City Pilot Project
    - Shared Services Alliance
    - ARPA Expansion Grant Application Process
  - Activities & Highlights:
    - Exploring ARPA Expansion Grant Application Process
    - Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 9:00 – 10:30 AM
- **Community Needs Subcommittee:** Identifies needs of the early care and education field as well as needs of families, employers and partner organizations to support the local mixed delivery system.
  - Committee Chair: Mika Buchanan
  - Priorities:
    - 5 Year Needs Assessment
  - Activities & Highlights:
    - Assessing: How has the need for childcare changed? What will mixed delivery system look like for families/providers?
    - Create a survey for community members to assess needs city by city
    - Highlight Community need through storytelling
  - Next Meeting: TBA

## **GRANTS UPDATES**

- QCC Workforce Pathways FY 2022-2023 increase of \$1761
- QCC Workforce Pathways FY 2023-2024 RFA Due

- Allocation: \$39,176
- QCC Block Grant FY 2023-2024 RFA Due May 12, 2023
- CSPP QRIS Block Grant FY 2023-2024 RFA Due May 12, 2023
- IMPACT Legacy FY 2023-2025 RFA Due June 12, 2023
  - SLO County Allocation: \$702,803

**MONTH OF THE CHILD RECAP**

Children’s Day in the Plaza 2023 Recap

All Vendors

1. Baby Brain Builders
2. Bikers Against Child Abuse (B.A.C.A.)
3. CAL FIRE
4. Camp Fire Central Coast
5. Camp Natoma
6. CAPSLO – Child Care Resource Connection
7. Center for Family Strengthening
8. Central Coast Childbirth Network
9. Central Coast Funds for Children
10. Central Coast Gymnastics Sports Center
11. Coast Hills Credit Union
12. Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County
13. County of San Luis Obispo Libraries
14. County of SLO Department of Social Services
15. Cuesta College Children’s Center
16. Doterra
17. Earth Day Alliance
18. Family Care Network
19. First 5 San Luis Obispo County
20. Freckles the Clown
21. Kiwanis Club of San Luis Obispo Morning
22. Outside Now
23. Positive Behavior Support Corp.
24. Pregnancy & Parenting Support of SLO
25. San Luis Coastal Unified School District
26. San Luis Obispo County Office of Education
27. SLO Botanical Garden
28. SLO Child Support Services
29. SLO City Fire
30. SLO Help Me Grow
31. SLO Police Department
32. SLO Symphony
33. The LINK Family Resource Center
34. Wishing Well School

**Total Vendors: 34**

**Food Vendors**

- G Brothers Kettle Corn and Food Truck
- Heavenly Hotdogs

- Keiki Hawaiian Shaved Ice

**Total Vendor Registrations: \$2,545**

**Performances by:**

- Studio @ Ryan’s American Dance
- Central Coast Gymnastics
- The Academy of Dance
- ~~Templeton Middle School Ukulele Club~~
- ~~RaiseUp SLO~~

**Monetary Sponsors:**

- \$2000 CAPSLO
- \$1000 First 5 SLO County
- \$1000 Central Coast Gymnastics
- \$500 St. Stephen’s Episcopal Church

**Total Monetary Sponsorships: \$4,500**

**Volunteer Numbers**

- 15 Cuesta and Cal Poly student volunteers
- 6 Council/SLOCOE/CCPC volunteers

**Total Volunteer Hours: 95**

**Month of the Child Proclamations**

The Council coordinated the following Month of the Child and Child Abuse Prevention Month Proclamations:

- City of Arroyo Grande – accepted by Patty Clarkson
- City of Grover Beach – accepted by Shannon Pimentel
- City of Morro Bay – accepted by Nataly Renteria
- City of Paso Robles – accepted by Katie Mervin & Lauren Handley
- City of Pismo Beach – accepted by Molly Myers
- City of San Luis Obispo – accepted by Katie Hollingsworth
- Cuesta College Board of Trustees – accepted by Katie Mervin & Melina Simonds
- SLO County Board of Supervisors – accepted by Raechelle Bowlay
- SLO County Office of Education Board of Directors – accepted by Molly Myers & Shannon Pimentel

**LPC PRIORITIES REPORT**

**Recommendation:** Council Staff recommends keeping the 2022 Priority assignments applied to the 2023 LPC Priorities Report. The Advancement Data Research matches closely to the 2022 Priority Assignments.

- Attachment Included:
  - [2023 LPC Priorities Report](#)

Motion to approve the 2023 LPC Priorities Report made by Mika Buchanan, seconded by Lauren Thorne. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

YES: Lauren Thorne, Shana Paulson, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan, Lauren Handley  
NO: None

Motion carried, results of the vote being: 5 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

**COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

Motion to approve [May 10, 2023 Council meeting agenda](#) as presented made by Lauren Thorne, seconded by Mika Buchanan. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None  
YES: Lauren Thorne, Shana Paulson, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan, Lauren Handley  
NO: None

Motion carried, results of the vote being: 5 yes, 0 no, and 0 abstentions.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:37 AM

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday June 7, 2023 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM at San Luis Obispo County Office of Education, 3350 Education Drive, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nataly Renteria, Administrative Assistant  
SLO County Early Care & Education Planning Council*