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## **Council Meeting**

February 1, 2017 2:00 – 3:30 pm CAPSLO Child Care Resources Connection Board Room 805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo CA 93401

#### **MINUTES**

**Members Present:** 

Adriana Barron Lauren Herrera Nancy Norton
Don Norton Lee Ann Howard Sheri Wilson
Gail Comer Melinda Sokolowski Traci Walker
Jenn Kreps Mika Buchanan

Liaisons:

Carole Bernard (for Kat Lauterback)

Staff:

Raechelle Bowlay-Sutton Sophia Renteria Kayla Benado Terri Shearer

**Guests:** 

Arica Marshall Shana Paulson

Absent:

Cindy Cipres Lisa Fraser Pam Dudley
Lauren Handley Maddy Quaglino Tara Quinn

Meeting called to order by Chair, Don Norton at 2:04 pm with welcome and introductions.

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

Nancy Norton motions to approve the consent agenda, Mika Buchanan seconds and all approve.

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

# Shana Paulson - CAPLSO Child Care Resource Connection

 CA Community Care Licensing has changed terminology about complaints being inconclusive to unsubstantiated or unfounded.

### **COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PROGRAM UPDATES**

# **Lauren Herrera- SLOCOE Early Learning Coordinator**

Upcoming Mantle of Leadership Series with Tonya Iverson, February 23, March 2, 9, 16, 2017.
 The training will develop the next generation of leaders in early care and education by enhancing participants' ability to lead, advance a personal vision for quality ECE and take action to improve ECE in the community.

 Early Learning for All Spring Network meeting will be held in Spring. The topic will be building relationships with and communication around developmental concerns and utilizing the Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ).

# Melinda Sokolowski-CAPSLO Family Support Services Director

• Martha's Place Child Assessment Center has a new Family Advocate starting in March.

### **Don Norton – Cuesta College**

- Children's music performance at Cuesta College Children's Center March 28, 2017 starting at 9:00am. San Luis Obispo City Mayor Heidi Harmon will be joining them.
- Cuesta Children's Center is hosting a fundraiser through Mixed Bag. Materials distributed at the meeting.
- Child Abuse Prevention Academy is scheduled for Friday, April 28, 2017. More information to follow

## Lee Ann Howard – Pacific Coast Association for the Education of Young Children (PCAEYC)

 PCAEYC will host a strategic planning meeting February 18, 2017, 10:00 – 12:00pm at Ventana Grill, Pismo Beach.

#### FIRST 5 SLO COMMISION UPDATE— Melinda Sokolowski

Melinda Sokolowski reported on First 5 California Advocacy Day that was held in Sacramento on January 31, 2017. The event educates lawmakers on important issues concerning young children and their families. Wendy Wendt, Jason Wells, Misty Livengood, Dr. James Brescia (County Superintendent of Schools), Theresa Anselmo (Executive Director – Partnership for Children) represented San Luis Obispo County.

The video promotion for February Hands-On Hero, Kim Gaspar, was shown. Kim Gaspar is the After School Education and Safety (ASES) Program Coordinator. She was nominated by SLO Food Bank for her dedication to children representing Children's Bill of Rights, right #2 – ensuring that children have nutritious food and that they know where is comes from.

First 5 SLO County will present their annual update to the County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 1:30 pm. Council members are encouraged to attend. There will also be a proclamation in honor of February as Oral Health Month.

#### **LEGISLATIVE UPDATES – Shana Paulson**

Shana shared an AB 1207 Mandated Reporter Training update that as of January 1, 2018, a person who is a licensed child care provider or administrator or employee of a licensed day care facility must complete mandated reporting training. This training must be completed on or before March 30, 2018, and updated every 2 years. Failing to comply may cause a facility to have its license revoked.

Shana also reported on the change to the California Car Seat Law starting January 1, 2017. Children under 2 years old must be in a rear facing car seat unless they weigh 40 pounds or more or are 40 inches tall or more.

#### **COORDINATOR REPORT**

Coordinator discussed Central Coast Infant Toddler Foundation Network Conference being held Saturday, February 4, 2017 at Cuesta College, with 114 participants registered.

The Asset Development Network met on January 11, 2017 and discussed the creating of the survey that would support the direction of future trainings. Britney Ogden, Council staff, created an electronic version to be distributed February 1, 2017.

Also included in the meeting materials was a copy of the letter sent to the California Department of Education with comments regarding the Child Care and Development Block Grant. The letter was submitted November 30, 2016. Coordinator shared upcoming events, included in meeting materials.

#### MONTH OF THE CHILD UPDATE

Coordinator presented Children's Day in the Plaza update with 11 Vendors, 3 Sponsors and 5 Performances registered as of February 1, 2017. Information included in meeting materials.

Proclamations will continue to be presented at all of the City Council, Board of Supervisors, Cuesta Board of Trustees and County Office of Education Board meetings. Council members were asked to select a meeting where they would like to participate. Chair, Don Norton suggested reaching out to city Chambers of Commerce to see if they would like to support a proclamation. List included in meeting materials.

# CHILDREN'S DAY IN THE PLAZA BUDGET

Coordinator presented the recommendation from the Council Staff that financial support for the Month of the Child KSBY promotional video be included in the operating expenses of Children's Day in the Plaza up to \$2000.00. Background information and Children's Day in the Plaza Draft Budget included in meeting materials. Sheri Wilson motioned to approve and Nancy Norton seconded with unanimous approval.

# HANDS-ON HEROES SPONSORSHIP

Coordinator presented the recommendation from the Council Staff to continue sponsorship towards Hands-On Heroes monthly spotlights in the amount of \$700.00 from the Council's Reserve Account for the 2017 campaign. Background and Council Reserves included meeting materials. Nancy Norton motioned to approve and Gail Comer seconded with unanimous approval.

#### **QUALITY COUNTS UPDATE**

Coordinator shared that Quality Counts, to date, conducted 17 informational and orientation sessions and enrollment of 31 center-based programs and 11 Family Child Care (FCC) programs. As of January 30, 2017, Kayla Benado, Britney Ogden and David Fimbres completed ITERS Certification and the Pre-K and Toddler CLASS Observer Training.

Coordinator updated CA Migrant (CMIG) QRIS Block Grant sharing that SLO County's award amount had been increased from \$6,222.00 to \$6,349.00 due to a county relinquishing funds.

CA CSEFEL is hosting a round of Trainer and Coach Institutes to increase support for County QRISs. Quality Counts Stipend Program launched December 2016 and to date 42 applications received. The deadline for applications is March 1, 2017.

The next CA-QRIS Consortium meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2017 in Woodland, CA.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 3:15pm.