



# Child Care Planning Council

San Luis Obispo County

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## Council Meeting

December 5, 2018 9:00 – 10:30AM

CAPSLO Child Care Resources Connection Board Room  
805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo CA 93401

### MINUTES

#### Members Present:

Katie Mervin	Mika Buchanan	Lisa Fraser
Lauren Thorne	Nancy Norton	
Melinda Sokolowski	Sheri Wilson	

#### Liaisons:

#### Guests:

Arica Marshall	Sally Rogow (CAPSLO)
Patti Fox (Pregnancy and Parenting Support)	Kris Rodebush (First 5 SLO)
Becca Winkleman (CAPSLO Comm. Resource Specialist)	Michelle Holm (CDRC)
Gaby Solis (CAPSLO Financial Resource Specialist)	Shana Paulson (CCRC)

#### Staff:

Raechelle Bowlay-Sutton	Kayla Benado	Nataly Renteria
Britney Ogden	Allison Biggers	

Meeting called to order by Chair, Lisa Fraser at 9:09 AM with welcome and introductions.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to adopt the consent agenda made by Katie Mervin, seconded by Nancy Norton, approved unanimously.

#### BALLOT VOTE: NEW MEMBER APPLICATION

Ballot vote to approve new member – Arica Marshall. Applications included ballot additions; Michelle Holm and Patti Fox. New members approved unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

##### Becca Winkleman, CAPSLO Community Resource Specialist

- Informed on 211 texting :
  - 898211 – Line is available 24/7

##### Gaby Solis, CAPSLO Financial Resource Specialist

- Financial Empowerment Program
  - Providing a set of financial skills such as; budgeting, cash flow, being financially self-sufficient, credit, etc.

**Sally Rogow, CAPSLO**

- Child Care Needs Assessment to be ready

**Kris Rodebush, First 5 SLO**

- Pediatric Town Hall held on November 7, 2018 at French Hospital
  - 58 people in attendance; 24 physicians which 17 of them were local pediatricians
  - Developing the Help Me Grow program

**COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS & PROGRAM UPDATES**

**Nancy Norton, SLOCOE Child Development Programs**

- Struggling with preschool program enrollment throughout the county.
  - Starting this year with more outreach either through COEtv, Facebook
  - Lisa Fraser will help connect with The Link
- Currently one position available; Associate Teacher in Atascadero

**Mika Buchanan, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection**

- Alternative Payment Program has received a \$1.5 million augmentation which will allow them to enroll approximately 225 children off the waiting list. In November, 46 children were enrolled and will continue to enroll families in the upcoming year.

**Lauren Thorne, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education**

- Literacy program, Read to Me, started in two shelters; ECHO and Prado.

**Katie Mervin, Cuesta College**

- New grant being implemented and currently enrolling; C-grant.
- Bid for the new north county children's center site goes to the Board tonight.

**Sheri Wilson, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection**

- New mandate effective as of July 1<sup>st</sup>. Will be offering an electronic payment option for provider pay.

**Melinda Sokolowski, CAPSLO Family Support Services**

- FCSS will be partnering with Sierra Vista to start a dad's group in San Luis Obispo this upcoming January. Group to be held at the Palm Street house in San Luis Obispo.

**Patti Fox, Pregnancy and Parenting Support**

- Pregnancy support programs
  - Website locations

**Lisa Fraser, Center for Family Strengthening**

- Parent education resource through Parent Connection. Classes in the parent education resource require no qualifications or eligibility.
- Family advocates are helping keep the families connected to resources in the North County Middle Schools, Cambria, Judkins, Mesa, and Los Osos.
- Office of Child Abuse Prevention has a new grant opportunity to create a countywide child abuse prevention plan. Coordinated and funded by the office of Child Abuse Prevention organized by Strategies 2.0. Center for Family Strengthening to present at Council.

### **FIRST 5 SLO COMMISSION UPDATE —Melinda Sokolowski**

- Currently celebrated their 20<sup>th</sup> year.
- Five (5) of the Nine (9) Commissioner positions will be up for renewal
- Commission Meeting to be held today, December 5, 2018 at San Luis Obispo County Office of Education.
- December Hands-On Hero: Spencer Claxton, Grizzly Youth Academy

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **Katie Mervin, Cuesta College**

- Goal is to host an event every month for the child care providers. January 16<sup>th</sup> Council mixer to be hosted at Cuesta College North County Campus.

#### **Lauren Thorne, San Luis Obispo County of Office of Education**

- Fourth year for Mantle of Leadership. Trained 60-70 leaders this year.

### **HOT TOPICS**

Presentation by Shana Paulson regarding data on licensed child care providers. Sally Rogow presented information regarding the Council Needs Assessment and child care survey conducted in conjunction with Cal Poly students.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:21 AM.

The next Council meeting will be held on January 9, 2019 from 9:00-10:30PM at CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection, 805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo, CA.

Respectfully submitted,

*Nataly Renteria, Administrative Assistant  
SLO County Child Care Planning Council*