



# Child Care Planning Council

San Luis Obispo County

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## Executive Committee Meeting

December 15, 2021 9:00 – 11:00 AM  
Child Care Resource Connection  
805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Zoom Meeting ID: 896 1316 8384

### MINUTES

#### Members Present:

Jamie Sanbonmatsu  
Katie Mervin  
Mika Buchanan  
Joel Diestler  
Melinda Sokolowski  
Lauren Handley

#### Guests:

Shana Paulson (CCRC)  
Elizabeth Steinberg (CAPSLO)

#### Staff:

Raechelle Bowlay  
Nataly Renteria

Meeting called to order by Council Chair, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, at 9:08 AM with welcome and introductions.

- [Executive Meeting Presentation](#)

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to approve consent agenda, including Brown Act AB 361, adoption of the [agenda](#) and [November 17, 2021 minutes](#) made by Lauren Handley, seconded by Mika Buchanan. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None  
YES: Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan, Lauren Handley, Melinda Sokolowski  
NO: None

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

#### **BUDGET REVIEW**

Department budgets presented by CAPSLO Finance Liaison, Joel Diestler. Budget presentation included in meeting materials.

- Attachments Included:
  - [Budget Review](#)

### **ADVOCACY UPDATE**

- [EveryChild CA: Upcoming Winter Events](#)
- Operations & Management Summit
  - March 22-23, 2022
  - [Early Bird Pricing ends January 7th](#)

### **COORDINATOR UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay**

- December Meetings:
  - CCRC Finance
  - CAPSLO Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee and Steering Committee
  - Center-Based Teacher Networking
  - School Age Child Care Networking
  - We Are The Care
  - Atascadero Chamber of Commerce
    - Monthly Mixer
    - Board of Directors
    - Diversity Council
    - Equality Mural Project
  - SLO County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls
  - Home Visiting Community Advisory Board Meeting
  - REACH SLO Advisory Committee Presentation
- Early Childhood Policy Council
  - Tuesday, January 25, 2022 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
  - [Register](#)
- CDSS Updates – Program Quality Improvement Branch Fiscal Year 2022 Training Schedule Announcement
  - Eligibility, Certification, Recertification, and Notice of Action
    - January 6, 2022 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
    - May 2022 TBD
  - Some Program and Quality Contract Requirements Overview
    - January 27, 2022 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
  - Need and Fees
    - February 3, 2022 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
    - May 2022 TBD
  - New Regulations Overview
    - April 2022 TBD
  - Program Self-Evaluation (PSE)
    - April 2022 TBD
  - Some Program and Quality Contract Requirements Overview
    - May 2022 TBD
- American Rescue Plan Act Proposal
  - Approximately \$85 million in funding coming to the County and cities
  - Collaborative Letter from First 5 SLO, Child Care Planning Council, Quality Counts, CAPSO Child Care Resource Connection, Help Me Grow, etc.

- Proposed Strategies:
  1. Access to Child Care through Vouchers
  2. Business Grants for Child Care Programs
  3. Strengthening Local Child Care System Infrastructure
  4. Workforce Pipeline for Child Care Professionals
  5. Child Care Facility Development and Improvement
  6. Mental and Behavioral Health Support for Children & Families
  7. Eviction Protection for Families
  8. Family Resource Centers
- Local/Regional ARPA Investments
  - Arroyo Grande - at the October 12th meeting, City Council approved allocation of \$100,000 towards child care.
  - [Grover Beach invests \\$50,000 in child care assistance - direct support to Boys & Girls Club and SLO YMCA](#)
  - Santa Barbara County
    - [Addendum to Memo](#)
    - [Recommendation Report](#)
    - [Board of Supervisors Presentation](#)
  - [San Luis Obispo invests \\$54,000 in new grant program to help more community members start a child care business](#)
- We Are the Care Task Force Meetings:
  - Cross-Sector Collaboration Task Force – Friday January 14th @ 10AM
  - Public Awareness Task Force – Thursday January 20th @ 10AM
  - Power to the Profession Task Force – Monday January 24th @ 3PM
  - Local Government Engagement – TBD (*week of Jan.17<sup>th</sup>*)
  - Leadership – TBD
- WATC Snack & Chat Potluck
  - Friday, January 7, 2022 @ 12:30PM
  - Cuesta Park – Arroyo Picnic Area
- The State of Early Learning: conversation on the state of child care in SLO County, outline a blueprint of the child care landscape and look toward an innovative and collaborative future.
  - Thursday January, 27, 2022 11:00AM – 12:30PM
  - Partnering with SLOCOE UTK Communities of Practice
  - Updated Registration through OMS
  - [Flyer](#)
- Additional Staffing Support Needed
  - Temp Admin (20 hours/week for one month)
  - Contractor to create a branding guide for Council and Quality Counts and organize templates/materials
- Cal Poly Interns
  - 4 interns to start for Winter Quarter (January)
- Dedicated Council Storage Unit – Transition Plan
- Membership Resignation – LeeAnn Howard

Motion to approve hiring a temp made by Melinda Sokolowski, seconded by Mika Buchanan. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None  
YES: Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan, Lauren Handley, Melinda Sokolowski, Katie Mervin  
NO: None

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

#### **MONTH OF THE CHILD/CHILDREN'S DAY IN THE PLAZA**

- Possibility of an in-person event on Saturday April 2, 2022
  - Quick survey to past vendors
  - Ask public to wear masks and have available at each of the entry points
  - Additional staffing (temp)
  - Additional fundraising opportunity/sponsorships
  - Develop a timeline and coordinate community planning meeting by end of January 2022

#### **COUNCIL FISCAL AGENCY TRANSITION PLAN**

[Fiscal Agent Proposal](#) – The proposal for Council vote, is to shift fiscal agency of SLO County Child Care Planning Council from CAPSLO to SLOCOE with the offer for SLOCOE to fund the Council Infrastructure from the general fund.

- Agreement of Transition Timeline – July 1, 2022
- [Fiscal Agency Transition Timeline](#)
- Next Planning Meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2021 at 10:30 AM (*optional*)

#### **COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

Amendments to the January 5, 2022 Council meeting agenda include:

- Update next meeting date to 2022

Motion to approve [January 5, 2022 Council meeting agenda](#) with amendments made by Jamie Sanbonmatsu, seconded by Mika Buchanan. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None  
YES: Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan, Lauren Handley, Melinda Sokolowski, Katie Mervin  
NO: None

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

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:13 AM.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday January 26, 2022 from 9:00 – 11:00 AM 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*