



# Child Care Planning Council

San Luis Obispo County

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## Council Meeting

July 29, 2020 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM  
CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection  
805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo CA 93401

Zoom Meeting ID: [826 9517 1993](#)

## MINUTES

### Members Present:

Melinda Sokolowski  
Katie Mervin  
Jamie Sanbonmatsu  
Mika Buchanan  
Sheri Wilson  
Lauren Thorne  
Cherie Fields

### Guests:

Shana Paulson (CCRC)                      Adriana Hernandez (CDSS)

### Staff:

Nataly Renteria                              Raechelle Bowlay

Meeting called to order by Chair, Katie Mervin at 9:05 AM with welcome and introductions.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve consent agenda, including adoption of the agenda and June 3, 2020 minutes, made by consensus and approved unanimously.

### ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2021-2022 COUNCIL CHAIR

Nominations were open June 3, 2020 – June 15, 2020. Nominations were submitted at our council via email. Council staff has confirmed the acceptance of the new 2021-2022 Council Chair, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, by consensus.

### PUBLIC COMMENT & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Cherie Fields, San Luis Obispo County Public Health**

- Michelle Balter is no longer in SLO County. Director of Nursing position is now open until August 4.

#### **Shana Paulson, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection**

- 61 active Licensed Child Care Centers

- 190 active Family Child Care Homes
- 12 sites experienced closures due to COVID-19
- New database
- Preparing for another supply distribution. Distribution will include disinfectant, masks, gloves, hand sanitizer, and spray bottles.
  - August 4 from 6-7 PM – CAPSLO CCRC
  - August 6 from 6-7 PM – Cuesta North County
  - August 11 from 6-7 PM – Arroyo Grande Library
  - August 13 from 6-7 PM – CAPSLO CCRC

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

### **Cherie Fields, San Luis Obispo County Public Health**

- Nursing division still has a number of staff reassigned to emergency services (COVID testing, swabbing and contract tracing)
- [Public Health Home Visiting Program](#) opened for full service on July 6. Face-to-face visits are being offered with proper personal protective equipment.
- [Immunization Clinics](#) open since May 4 by appointment (Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo, & Grover Beach). Immunization rates have decreased. Will help Public Health create a flyer to help spread the word and make sure children are getting their immunizations.
- [Family Planning Clinic](#) open in Paso Robles

### **Katie Mervin, Cuesta College Children's Center**

- Fall semester starts August 7, most of the classes will be online.
- Last chance for Practicum in own workplace setting this semester.
- Cuesta College Children's Center is fully enrolled
- [Ticket 2 Teach](#) is going steady

### **Melinda Sokolowski, CAPSLO Family Support Services**

- CAPSLO Family Support Services are offering face-to-face visits. Continue to offer virtual support.

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

- New Director of Educational Support Services replacing Nancy Norton
- Waiting on Management Bulletin for more direction.
- Challenged with staff that are unable to go back to the classroom due to health conditions.

### **Mika Buchanan, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection - [Alternative Payment Program](#)**

- Enrolled 159 children over the course of May and June
- Child care was originally going to service through June 30<sup>th</sup>
- With the passing of 20/21 State budget child care is extended for 90 days or until funding allows
- Eligible families have first priority for enrollment into CAPP, CMAP, CCTR, or CSPP
- Currently: 4% use Lic. Exempt Centers, 16% use Trustline Providers, 28% use Lic. Centers, 51% use Lic. FDC's Child Care
- Child care for all funded programs will be paid based on parent's max certified need for child care

- Payment will be made without regard to attendance, meaning if the child is absent or doesn't use all the child care they are approved CCRC will still pay the child care provider for the parents maximum certified need for child care

**COORDINATOR UPDATE & QUALITY COUNTS UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay**

- [California Early Childhood Policy Council](#)
  - Parent Advisory Committee
    - Met on July 22
    - Next Meeting is on August 6, 2020
  - Workforce Advisory Committee
    - Next Meeting is on August 6, 2020
- We Are the Care Cross Sector Collaboration Task Force met on July 23.
- August 20<sup>th</sup> will be the launch meeting with the City Council Liaisons.
- Integrating Anti-Bias Education into Quality Counts professional development.
- Quality Counts Staff is planning the Quality Counts Kick Off for this year.
- Math Grant will be closing soon.
- Special First 5 Commission Meeting was held on July 13 where the Collaborative Child Care Study Contract with Low Income Investment Fund was approved. Contract to commence August 1, 2020.
- July Hands-On Hero honoring Community Collaboration.
- Child Care Providers United Approved
- Transition to CA Department of Social Services
- Hearing today for Assembly Bill 123

**ANNUAL REPORT**

2019-2020 LPC Annual Report Draft is close to being completed. Strategic Plan will be incorporated into the report. Will send out the PDF version in the Council Recap Mailchimp.

**COVID-19 ADVOCACY**

Executive Committee and Council Staff met with County Public Health Officers Dr. Penny Borenstein and Dr. Rick Rosen to discuss COVID-19 guidelines for child care providers. We met on Friday, July 24, and developed an additional supporting guidance document to be approved and endorsed by Public Health, Child Care Resource and Referral, and Child Care Planning Council.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM.

The next Council meeting will be held on September 2, 2020 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*