



Child Care Planning Council

San Luis Obispo County

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Executive Committee Meeting

January 11, 2023 3:00 – 5:00 PM

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 970 6557 0097

MINUTES

Members Present:

Jamie Sanbonmatsu

Katie Mervin

Mika Buchanan

Lauren Handley

Lauren Thorne

Melinda Sokolowski

Guests:

Michael Specchierla (SLOCOE)

Staff:

Raechelle Bowlay

Nataly Renteria

Meeting called to order by Council Chair, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, at 3:03 PM with welcome and introductions.

- [Executive Meeting Presentation](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve consent agenda, including adoption of the [agenda](#) and [December 7, 2022 minutes](#), made by Mika Buchanan, seconded by Lauren Handley. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

YES: Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Lauren Handley, Katie Mervin, 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 & council member announcements were received.

BUDGET REVIEW

- Department budgets presented by Child Care Planning Council Coordinator, Raechelle Bowlay. Budget presentation included in meeting materials.
- Attachments Included:
 - Budget Review

COORDINATOR UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay

- Early Care & Education Sector:
 - Center-Based Teacher Networking
 - School Age Child Care Networking
 - We Are The Care
 - Home Visiting Community Advisory Board Meeting
 - Help Me Grow Steering Committee
 - CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection Advisory Board
 - Association for the Education of Young Children
 - National (NAEYC)
 - State (CAEYC)
 - Regional – Pacific Coast Chapter
- Attended NAEYC Annual Conference
 - November 16-19, 2022
 - Washington, DC
- ARPA Presentations:
 - First 5 SLO County – December 7th
 - [SLOCOE Board of Trustees – December 15th](#)
 - BOS – January
- UPK Mixed Delivery Planning Grant Letter of Intent Submitted
- Council Retreat/Kickoff – Igniting Innovation in Early Care & Education
 - The landscape of early care and education is ever evolving and the child care crisis requires innovative solutions. Please join us in a day to learn more about the innovative practices we have employed over the past year and develop a new shared vision. Be inspired by our speakers: County Superintendent of Schools, Dr. James Brescia, Former State Superintendent of Instruction, Jack O'Connell, and Vice President, School Services of California, Dr. Patti Herrera. We invite families, early educators, administrators, city and county government officials and staff, as well as our partners from the business sector to join the conversation to support innovative and sustainable practices to ensure that all children in San Luis Obispo County have access to quality early learning care and education.
 - Avila Lighthouse Suites
 - Friday, January 20th 9:00AM – 3:00PM
 - [Register Here](#)
 - Topics:
 - Overview of LPC and launch of new name
 - Leadership Development
 - Partners in Innovation – Breaking Down Silos
 - Guest Speaker: Patti Herrera
 - We Are the Care
 - Community Partners (i.e. Chambers, City Liaisons, City Managers, BOS, SOS, etc.)
 - UPK Mixed Delivery Grant – Workgroup

QUALITY COUNTS UPDATE

- Lauren Handley, Classified Coordinator for Early Learning and Educational Support, will be filling in for the Quality Counts Coordinator position as needed
- Stipend program to be released in the upcoming week
- January Professional Development 2022 – 2023 registrations open
 - Self-Care: Strategies to Take Care of Yourself So You Can Care for Others
 - January 12, 2023 6:00 – 7:00PM
 - [Register](#)
 - Stop Tantrums 911: Addressing Fears, Tears & Tantrums
 - January 17, 2023 5:30 – 7:30PM
 - [Register](#)
 - Designing Interactive, Engaging and Adaptable Early Childhood Environments
 - January 21, 2023 9:00 – 2:00PM
 - [Register](#)
 - Intentional Interactions: Promoting Positive Behaviors in the Preschool Environment
 - January 24, 2023 6:00 – 7:30PM
 - [Register](#)
 - Trauma Informed Care Practices for Early Care & Education Professionals
 - January 30, 2023 5:30 – 7:30PM
 - [Register](#)

COMMITTEE UPDATES

- We Are The Care Transition; All Hands Meeting was held on Monday, October 3rd
 - Initiative Updates – What we’ve been working on, upcoming events and opportunities
 - Evolution and Transformation – Transitioning work to be aligned and embedded within the Child Care Planning Council (soon to be “Early Care & Education Planning Council”)
 - Continued Engagement – All Hands participants are given ways to continue to engage in the work of WATC and questions/concerns are addressed.
- Workforce Development Subcommittee
 - Committee Chair: Katie Mervin
 - Members: Melina Simonds, Patty Clarkson
- Advocacy Subcommittee
 - Committee Chair: Kris Roudebush
 - Members: Shana Paulson
- Economic Development Subcommittee
 - Committee Chair: Shana Paulson (interim)
 - Members: Mariela Rodriguez, Kris Roudebush, Christina Lefevre Latner
- Community Needs Subcommittee
 - Committee Chair: Shana Paulson
 - Members:

COUNCIL POSITIONS

- **2023-2024 Council Chair:** No action or recommendation to provide at the moment to Executive Committee but wanted to share to open up the conversation. Our 2023-2024 Incoming Chair, as it has gone through our approval and election process, is Lauren Handley. The potential conflict of interest is that she is technically a contracted employee of the Council through Quality Counts. The suggestion from Executive Committee is to have a special election and open up the

nomination process to past chairs under these special circumstances. Council Staff will be moving forward and start the nomination process for the special election.

- **First 5 Commissioner Representative:** Council has a designated representative on the First 5 Commission, that seat is an appointed seat that we, as the Council, appoint. Our designated seat is coming up for reelection this year. Melinda Sokolowski has been our First 5 Commissioner Representative since 2008. Sharing this information with Executive Committee to put it on their radar that these conversations are happening.

CHILDREN'S DAY IN THE PLAZA

Save the date: Saturday, April 1, 2023. Task sign up will be created to give members the opportunity to sign up and help with Children's Day in the Plaza event planning. Proclamation schedule to come.

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Amendments to the January 20, 2023 Council meeting agenda include:

- Update meeting time to 2:00 – 3:00 PM

Motion to approve [January 20, 2023 Council meeting agenda](#) with amendments made by Mika Buchanan, seconded by Lauren Thorne. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

YES: Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Katie Mervin, Mika Buchanan, Lauren Thorne

NO: None

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 PM

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday February 1, 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 Child Care Planning Council*