



Child Care Planning Council

San Luis Obispo County

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Executive Committee Meeting

November 17, 2021 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Child Care Resource Connection

805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Zoom Meeting ID: 822 3729 7787

MINUTES

Members Present:

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

Guests:

Shana Paulson (CCRC)

Staff:

Raechelle Bowlay
Nataly Renteria

Meeting called to order by Council Chair, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, at 9:02 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 [October 27, 2021](#) minutes made by Katie Mervin, seconded by Mika Buchanan. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

YES: Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Mika Buchanan, Katie Mervin, Melinda Sokolowski

NO: None

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

PUBLIC COMMENT & COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Valley View Children's Center

- Closed for the week of Thanksgiving
- Center is fully enrolled and staffed

Melinda Sokolowski, CAPSLO Child, Youth, and Family Services Division

- Not fully staffed or enrolled, looking for staff and families

Mika Buchanan, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection

- Still enrolling off the waiting list
- Receiving an additional 1.4 million dollars for CAP program

Shana Paulson, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection

- San Luis Obispo invests in \$54,000 in new grant program to help more community members start a child care business

BUDGET REVIEW

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

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

ADVOCACY UPDATE

- Information Session: Universal Transitional Kindergarten (UTK) and Expanded Learning
 - Thursday, November 18, 2021 9:00 – 11:00 AM
 - [Flyer](#)

COORDINATOR UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay

- November 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
 - REACH SLO Advisory Committee Presentation
- Early Childhood Policy Council
 - Tuesday, January 25, 2022 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
 - [Register](#)
- CDSS Amendment: Child Development Contract
 - [Local Agreement for Child Development Services Allocation Letter](#)
- 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](#)
 - COVID Vaccine Task Force
 - [Health Officer Issues Criteria for Lifting Order Requiring Masking in Indoor Public Places](#)
 - [Moderna and J&J booster and additional dose now available for SLO County residents](#)
 - [Flyer: COVID-19 Community Testing Sites](#)
 - The State of Child Care: 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.
 - Follow up to Summer Session
 - Theme: Power of Partnerships
 - Possible Dates:
 - Tuesday, January 18, 2022
 - Thursday, January 20, 2022
 - Thursday, January 27, 2022
 - Agreed on: Thursday January, 27, 2022 9:00 – 11:00 AM
 - We Are the Care Task Force Meetings:
 - Cross-Sector Collaboration Task Force – Friday January 14th @ 10AM
 - Public Awareness Task Force – Friday November 19th @ 10AM
 - Power to the Profession Task Force – TBD (*January*)
 - Local Government Engagement – Monday December 6th @ 1:30PM
 - Leadership – TBD

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

New Member Applications

Council Staff recommends approval of new member applicant, Katie Hollingsworth, for membership January 2022 through December 2024.

- Attachment:
 - Membership Application

Motion to approve new member application made by Mika Buchanan, seconded by Jamie Sanbonmatsu. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

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

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

Council Staff recommends approval of new member applicant, Melina Simonds, for membership January 2022 through December 2024.

- Attachment:
 - Membership Application

Motion to approve new member application 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, Melinda Sokolowski, Lauren Handley
NO: None

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

Updated 2022 Membership Certification

Motion to approve the updated 2022 membership certification 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, Melinda Sokolowski, Lauren Handley
NO: None

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

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](#)
- No Planning Meeting on Friday, November 19th
- Next Planning Meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2021 at 10:30 AM

Motion to move forward and approve taking this updated transition timeline to the Council made by Melinda Sokolowski, seconded by Lauren Handley. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

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

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

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Motion to approve [December 1, 2021 Council meeting agenda](#) as presented 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, Melinda Sokolowski, Lauren Handley
NO: None

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:16 AM.

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday December 15, 2021 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*