



Child Care Planning Council

San Luis Obispo County

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Executive Committee Meeting

September 7, 2022 9:00 – 11:00 AM

Meeting Location (In Person with Zoom Option for Public Attendance):

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

Zoom Meeting ID: 970 6557 0097

MINUTES

Members Present:

Lauren Thorne	Mika Buchanan
Katie Mervin	Lauren Handley
Jamie Sanbonmatsu	

Members Present via Zoom:

Melinda Sokolowski

Guests:

Shana Paulson (CCRC)
Michael Specchierla (SLOCOE)

Staff:

Raechelle Bowlay
Nataly Renteria

Meeting called to order by Council Chair, Jamie Sanbonmatsu, at 9:01 AM with welcome and introductions.

- [Executive Meeting Presentation](#)

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve consent agenda, including adoption of the [agenda](#) and [August 3, 2022 minutes](#), made by Katie Mervin, seconded by Mika Buchanan. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT & COUNCIL MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jamie Sanbonmatsu, Valley View Children’s Center

- Enrolled to ratio

Lauren Thorne, San Luis Obispo County Office of Education

- Fully enrolled
- Coordinator starting for the Raising A Reader position on September 15th

Shana Paulson, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection

- A number of providers and programs in our counties received the Minor Renovation and Repairs funds.
- [Center for the Study of Child Care Employment](#) has released some interesting data regarding early educator compensation;
 - Small FCC providers (serving up to eight children) reported the lowest wages among ECE workforce, with an annual income of \$16,200
 - Large FCC providers (serving up to 14 children) reported earning \$40,000, similar to the salaries of center teachers and directors

Mika Buchanan, CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection

- Still enrolling at the moment
- Waiting for amendment to Alternative Payment Program contract
- Doubled overall enrollment, serving close to 730 children
- Paid out over a million dollars this past month to the community child care providers

Katie Mervin, Cuesta College/San Luis Obispo County Office of Education

- First Ticket2Teach information session tonight

BUDGET REVIEW/ANNUAL FISCAL PLAN

Every year the Council is responsible for sending the Council budget to the Department of Social Services. This year LPC contracts will be restored back to the 2011 contract amounts. The fiscal plan presented today will have to be redone once the LPC Contracts restoration is finalized. Annual Fiscal Plan included in meeting materials.

- Attachment Included:
 - [San Luis Obispo County Child Care Planning Council Annual Fiscal Plan](#)

Motion to approve Annual Fiscal Plan as presented, made by Mika Buchanan, seconded by Lauren Thorne. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

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

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

MONDE PUBLIC RELATIONS CONTRACT – Michael Specchierla

Proposal for Council budget presented by Michael Specchierla. Anticipate a need sometime this year to tell the story of the Council and what their priorities and actions are. Proposing that the Council

consider sharing part of the Monde Public Relations contract. Monde Public Relations contract split between SLO Partners, Ticket2Teach, and the Council would be more than \$10,000 but if the Council approves a budget item up to \$10,000 for this contract depending on how many press releases are worked on with Lindsey McConaghy the Council would have an equal share of this contract.

Tabling item 5; will maintain this topic under radar and on agenda as we watch for additional funding to come in. Will be one of the first considerations for allocation.

COORDINATOR UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay

- Meetings:
 - CCRC Finance
 - CAPSLO Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Committee and Steering Committee
 - Center-Based Teacher Networking
 - School Age Child Care Networking
 - We Are The Care
 - Home Visiting Community Advisory Board Meeting
 - Pacific Coast Association for the Education of Young Children (PCAEYC) Board Meeting
- Economic Development:
 - Atascadero Chamber of Commerce
 - Monthly Mixer
 - Board of Directors
 - Membership Committee
 - Diversity Council & Women in Business
 - SLO County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls
 - National Association of Women’s Commissions Conference
 - American Association of University Women
 - Cal Poly Local Economic Development Committee
- PCAEYC Chapter; will be hosting at the end of the month a general membership meeting here in San Luis Obispo. Will share invitation with the rest of the Council once the date and time is confirmed.
- Targeted outreach to child care programs who would like to become a chamber member.
- Figuring out transition for We Are The Care; planning an All Hands Meeting
- County ARPA Implementation
 - MOU with Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo County (CAPSLO) Child Care Resource Connection (CCRC) to provide technical assistance
 - Launched Phase 1 Non-Competitive Business Grants on Thursday, August 4th
 - 107 Program Applications:
 - 41 Small FCC
 - 48 Large FCC
 - 17 Preschool Centers
 - 1 Infant Center
 - Total Award Amount: \$345,750

QUALITY COUNTS UPDATE

- Quality Counts Consortium met on Monday, August 29th
- Hiring; Quality Counts positions to be released soon
- Quality Counts Kick Off
 - Theme: Power of Play
 - Saturday, October 1, 2022
 - 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM or 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM
 - SLO Children’s Museum
 - [Flyer](#)
 - [Register Here](#)

COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

Review Current Membership Certification – time of year when we start talking about Council Membership. Membership Certification is due in January to the state. Opportunity as Council members to invite someone and help come be a part of this table as we are branching out and figuring out how this looks like.

Consumers

Arica Marshall
Katie Hollingworth
Lauren Thorne
Shannon Messerly

Public Agency Representatives

Cherie Fields
Melina Simonds
Shannon Pimentel
Tara Quinn/Lauren Handley

Discretionary Appointees

Katie Mervin
Mika Buchanan
Patty Clarkson
Vacant

Child Care Providers

Adriana Barron
Jamie Sanbonmatsu
Michelle Holm
Vacant

Community Representatives

Lisa Fraser
Melinda Sokolowski
Vacant
Vacant

New Member Application

Council Staff recommends approval of new member applicant, Gary Joralemon, for membership January 2023 through December 2025.

- Attachment:
 - Membership Application

Executive Committee recommends moving forward with the membership process, invite new member applicant to attend the Council October meeting and wait for membership approval at the November Council meeting. Motion made by Lauren Thorne, seconded by Katie Mervin. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

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

NO: None

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

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Amendments to the September 14, 2022 Council meeting agenda include:

- Item 6 – change to Public Relations (general public relations focus) and to an information item
- Item 13 – remove New Member Application action item

Motion to approve [September 14, 2022 Council meeting agenda](#) with amendments made by Lauren Thorne, seconded by Katie Mervin, and approved unanimously. Upon putting the motion to a roll call vote, the results were:

ABSTAINED: None

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

NO: None

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 AM

The next Executive Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday October 5, 2022 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*