



# **Child Care Planning Council** San Luis Obispo County

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## **Council Meeting**

March 4, 2020 9:00 – 11:00 AM

CAPSLO Child Care Resource Connection Board Room  
805A Fiero Lane, San Luis Obispo CA 93401

<b>MINUTES</b>
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### **Members Present:**

Lisa Fraser	Nancy Norton
Jenn Kreps	Mika Buchanan
Michelle Holm	Adriana Barron
Lauren Thorne	Jamie Sanbonmatsu
Melinda Sokolowski	Lisa Duncan-Purcell
Katie Mervin	Lauren Handley

### **Guests:**

Chris Sears (Lakeshore Learning)  
Jamie McGillis (Help Me Grow)

### **Staff:**

Nataly Renteria	Raechelle Bowlay
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Meeting called to order by Chair, Lauren Thorne at 9:06 AM with welcome and introductions.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion to approve consent agenda, including adoption of the agenda and February 14, 2020 minutes, made by Jamie Sanbonmatsu, seconded by Katie Mervin, and approved unanimously.

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

#### **Nancy Norton, SLOCOE Early Learning Educational Support**

- Retiring this year.

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

- Melinda Sokolowski has been appointed, Interim CFS Division Director.

#### **Lauren Handley, Paso Robles Joint Unified School District**

- IPERA Federal Audit is on Thursday.
- Kinder registration is this week.
- PRJUSD Board is considering eliminating bussing through the district.
- Georgia Brown is changing to a lottery registration system.

### **UPDATES**

#### **First 5 SLO Commission Update – Melinda Sokolowski**

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*The San Luis Obispo County Child Care Planning Council, in partnership with families and the community, plans for and promotes the highest quality and accessible services for the care for all children and youth.*

- March Hands-On Hero: Carmen Castaneda
- First 5 Special Meeting of the First 5 Commission: Strategic Planning Workshop was held on February 20, 2020 from 3:00 – 5:00 PM at SLO County Human Services Agency Red Room.
- Help Me Grow hired a Coordinator, Jamie McGillis.
- First meeting of Help Me Grow steering committee was on February 27 and was well attended by representatives from across early learning and special needs community. Next meeting is scheduled for May 21.

#### **We Are the Care Update – Raechelle Bowlay**

- We Are the Care Initiative has picked up a lot of publicity.
- Public Awareness Task Force
  - Providing public comment at Board of Supervisors, City Council, and numerous School Board meetings throughout the County.
  - Will be working closely with us on 2020 Month of the Child Proclamations.
  - “Child Care Awareness Day” on April 30<sup>th</sup>.
  - Next meeting: March 23, 2020 at 3:30 PM at Center for Family Strengthening
- Cross-Sector Collaboration Task Force
  - Family-Friendly Workplace Toolkit in progress.
  - Next meeting: March 16, 2020 at 12:30 PM at First 5 SLO County
- Local Government Engagement Task Force
  - Engaging with local planning commission and city and regional planners.
  - Next meeting: March 19, 2020 at 10:00 AM. Location TBD.

#### **Legislative Update – Jamie Sanbonmatsu, CQEL**

- 8 different bills got introduced on February 24<sup>th</sup>.
- AB2500: Transitional Kindergarten.
- Senate Bill worth watching, SB1075.
- Attachments Included:
  - Public Policy Report
  - Assembly Bill NO.2500

#### **Collaborative Child Care Study Update – Raechelle Bowlay**

- Collaborative Child Care Study Liaison Team met on February 18, 2020 to finalize the RFA to be released by March 6, 2020 with an anticipated contract start date of June 1, 2020.

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

- Communities of Practice Facilitator Training was held on Friday, February 14, 2020. Attended by (6) Council members and (8) community partners from CAPSLO CCRC, SLO YMCA, and Center for Family Strengthening Promotores.
- School Reform Initiative Resource and Protocol Book was distributed. Resources are available upon request to Council Members.
- Editing right to Silicon Valley Community Foundation’s “A Family’s Guide to Starting Kindergarten” Booklet was granted to the Council. Council staff will work in editing/customizing to SLO County and present for approval at April Executive Committee meeting.

- Children Now will be hosting a webinar about the 2020 California Children’s Report Card to support kids in your community. This free webinar will provide an overview of the findings in the Report Card; trends in children’s health, early childhood, education, and child welfare; and opportunities for local and state advocates to work together to build power, amplify community voices, and improve children’s outcomes.
  - Webinar: Wednesday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 10:00 - 11:00 AM
- Attachments Included:
  - Power of the Profession Decision Cycles 7 + 8
  - Legislative Update

**QUALITY COUNTS UPDATE – Raechelle Bowlay**

- Professional Development registration is currently going down; some opportunities canceled.
- CSEFEL training has been going very well.
- QCC Equitable Learning Opportunities Grant has been submitted.
- Math Grant going pretty well. STEAM conference is this weekend March 6-7 in San Diego; Laurinda Wagner (Cuesta College) and Bobbie Sesena (CAPSLO) will be presenting.
- Report included in meeting materials.
- Executive Committee recommended not completing and submitting a 2020-2021 AB212 Plan to CDE until further direction is provided, in lieu of anticipated workforce development grant.

**MONTH OF THE CHILD/ CHILDREN’S DAY IN THE PLAZA**

- Save the date: April 4, 2020
- Vendor registration still open
- First 5 Express will be at Children’s Day in the Plaza this year.
- Commercial will be going out this week for Children’s Day in the Plaza. Commercial will change direction on April 5<sup>th</sup> for Child Care Awareness Day.
- Planning on ordering Council t-shirts this year instead of Children’s Day in the Plaza t-shirts.
- Discussion and assignments of Council Members tasks.
- Attachment Included:
  - 2020 Month of the Child Proclamations Schedule

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 PM.

The next Council meeting will be held on May 6, 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*