



**Alameda County Child Care Planning Council
Public Policy Committee
January 15, 2019
MINUTES**

“The mission of the Public Policy Committee is to support the mission of the Planning Council by monitoring and developing early care and education legislation, policies and regulations that impact children, families and child care providers and recommending appropriate action to the Child Care Planning Council.”

Attendees:

Margaret Jerene	Co-Chair, First Five, Steering Committee	Michele Stillwell-Parvensky	Kidango
Phan Fong	Child Care Links	Neva Bandelow	ACOE
Jennifer Caban	Co-Chair, Steering Committee, SSA	Tori Porell	Steering Committee, EBCLO
Lorita Riga	Consultant	Darlene Johnston	Little Mud Puddles
Alex Boskovich	Steering Committee, ALCO Food Bank		

Staff, Calyn Kelley, Ellen Dektar, Angie Garling

- Look at state budget trailer bill language at next meeting

Action Items:

- Angie – Will forward a memo to everyone on Census strategies. Asian Law Caucus is also closely following “citizenship question”.

Updates

- Ellen – First 5 had a dinner with city reps and National League of Cities to catalyze city ECE planning. Cities participating will be eligible for \$50k grants. Cities in attendance were Newark, Emeryville, Alameda, Oakland, Hayward, Union City

Sacramento Events

- Neva – New America Foundation Sacramento event was wonderful and Governor’s Chief of Staff spoke. Lawanda’s role on panel was critical and brought to life the daily realities of ECE programs.

Report out from Census 2020

- Angie – Census workshop included a brainstorm where we were asked how often we interface with families. 400k people in Alameda County have been identified as hard to count (HTC). We discussed what we can start doing to engage HTC population. Next countywide meeting is in March. ACECPC will also dedicate a special committee to Census. CDE is getting money from Census to work with Title 5 agencies. April 1st 2020 is Census.
- Angie – Census staff wants to do focus groups w/ ECE parents in the spring to give informational seminar – How can parents be ambassadors for other parents? Census feeds into 25 different funding streams including Cal Fresh, and Head Start.

- Alex – Non-Profit Votes is hosting a webinar on Census.
- Angie – Outreach funding will be available for small/large agencies willing to do outreach.

County Platform

- Jennifer – Alameda County BOS of Vision 2026
- Ellen – Child care is also in county platform.
- Ellen – Referenced everyone to county document.
- Jennifer – We had to re-tool platform into digestible bits
- Margaret – When we redo our priorities for platform we should put something in for Census 2020.

Report Out from State Contractors

- Angie – Inclusion funding, facilities work and early childhood mental health survey were discussed

Review Discuss and Possibly Take Action on Local/State/ Federal Budget

- Michele – Key pieces EC coalition has been prioritizing are rate reform, facilities and workforce. Governor has proposed new funding for most of these issues. AB 194 (Reyes) money for new slots \$1 Billion dollars for babies. Planning Council will not support until language is fleshed out. Parent Voices and Kappa support already.
- Alex – We need a one pager for facilities assessment.
- Angie - We have huge need for facilities upgrade and maintenance funding
- Ellen – Introduced LPC Worksheet: Positions on State Legislation and Budget
- Alex – Worksheet is super helpful.

Margaret’s Illustration

- Margaret gave very compelling illustration of the effectiveness of FFN (Family, Friends and Neighbors) professional development program which provides 8 week professional development programming with a \$350 stipend attached.

Consider Taking Action/Positions on legislation

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| • AB 123 (McCarty) - Universal Pre-K | <u>Position</u>
Wait for language |
| • AB 124 (McCarty) - Preschool Facilities | Wait for language |
| • AB 125 (McCarty) – Reimbursement Rate Reform | Wait for language |
| • AB 167 (Rubio) – Expanding Access to High Quality Infant Toddler Care | Wait for language |
| -Michele from Kidango gave explanation of bill | |

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 6th, 2019 9:30—11:30 am **4Cs of Alameda
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