



**Alameda County Child Care Planning Council**  
**Public Policy Committee**  
**June 1, 2016**  
**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:*

Linda Olivenbaum	EBAEYC	Melinda Martin	Consultant
Diana Engel	Steering Committee	Clarissa Doutherd	Steering Committee
Jenna Churchman	Steering Committee, Co-Chair, SSA	Rosemary Obeid	4Cs of Alameda County
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*Angie Garling, Ellen Dektar, LPC Staff*

**I. Announcements**

- The County is mapping child care and transit connections to help future employees reduce their car trips
- Ellen wrote a letter to the County’s Housing Director to ask her to include priorities for housing for families and early care and education teachers in the upcoming Housing Bond
- Berkeley recently did a review that showed that 80% of their children in child development centers do not continue on to the k-12 system
- Facilities were a priority at the recent LPC retreat

**II. Report out from LPC Committees**

- No major announcements

**III. Federal, State Legislation and Budget**

- Federal:
  - California’s Quality plan has been resubmitted to the federal government
- Budget:
  - State
    - There is some funding for six month child care subsidies for foster parents in the budget but the navigator was taken out
  - County
    - Parent Voices is asking for \$5 million for vouchers for homeless families who are over income and case manager for wrap around services, child care access assistance, and funds for parents to run play and other kinds of groups in shelters; they estimate it would fund 400 slots for twelve months for 0-13 year olds. There are 22 family

shelters in the county with five to ten children each. BOSS and Abode help with housing. *They are requesting letters of support.*

- Legislation
  - SB 1042 (Hancock) to restore the entry age for state preschool programs has stopped in the legislative process
- Planning for reform: if the Governor's block grant proposal is rejected, ece reform will still be on the table. Past restructuring plans that could be used as resources that could be used include the CCELP and the Preschool for All plan.

#### **IV. CSPP expansion grants for children with special needs**

- Four Alameda County agencies will be receiving these funds for a total of at least \$900,000: Kidango, Unity Council, City of Oakland, and Las Positas, The funds allow for expansion and do not result in additional money per child.

#### **V. AB 833 Implementation Update**

- The plan is being finalized and approved by the Board

#### **VI. 2015 Immunization Update and Next Steps**

- It's possible the LPC can ask the Public Health Department to host immunization clinics for ece staff at major conferences. Many ece programs, like the Fremont Unified program, are concerned about the potential impact of new immunization requirements on their ability to use parent volunteers and therefore remain solvent and operational.

#### **VII. Develop July Agenda and July Meeting Date and Time**

- The Committee agreed to have another night meeting because it's relatively convenient in summer and it seemed to increase Steering Committee participation
- Agenda will address: LPC Strategic Plan, final state budget, immunization, wages forum, AB 833 final plan and funding details

<b>Next Meeting: Wednesday, July 13, 6-8 pm **4Cs of Alameda</b>
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