

**ALAMEDA COUNTY EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PLANNING COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
July 24, 2015**

<b>Steering Committee Members Present: [17]</b>			
Rosemary Almand	Mirella Almaraz	Amapola Beenn	Jenna Churchman
Kim DiGiacomo	Mary Anne Doan	Carlota Escarez	Leah Goldsmith
Renee Herzfeld	Jean Monroe	Susan Morris	Melanie Mueller
Sandra Rodriguez	Sandi Soliday	Sandra Taylor	Carol Thompson
Veronica Ufoegbune			
<b>Steering Committee Members Absent: [15]</b>			
Margaret Bartelt	Tracey Black	Alexandra Caraballo	Franca Cioria
Clarissa Doutherd	Relena Ellis	Diana Engel	Carmen Gonzalez
Carolyn Hobbs	Margaret Jerene	Judy Kriege	Marva Lyons
Laura McNair	Ramil Rivera	Zina Rosen-Simon	
<b>General Members Present: [10]</b>			
Vanessa Dilks	Child Care Links	Lisa Forti	SSA
Arata Goto	SSA	Julie Hadnot	ICPC
Christine Miror	Connections E. C.	Zak Parpia	CalSAC
Heather Phebus	LIIF	Sadaf Siddiq	SSA
Laura Schroeder	SSA	Sue Shepardson	West EC PITC
<b>Child Care Planning Council Staff Present:</b>			
Angie Garling	Ellen Dektar	Neva Bandelow	Kim Hazard
Michael Panori	Kat Troyer	LaWanda Wesley	

**1. Call to Order**

Veronica Ufoegbune, Council Chairperson, convened the meeting at 9:10 AM at the Redwood Conference Room at Behavioral Health Care, 1100 San Leandro Blvd., San Leandro, CA.

Veronica welcomed the participants. Attendees introduced themselves and made announcements, beginning with Neva Bandelow who announced that she would be the Early Learning Planning Council Primary Staffer going forth, in the position Angie Garling has held as Program Coordinator.

**2. Consent Calendar-Action**

The Minutes for the January 23, April 17, and May 22, 2015 Planning Council meetings and the agenda for the July 24th meeting were approved. *Motion by Carol Thompson, Second by Sandi Soliday.* Motion carried with one abstention.

**3. Planning Council Business: Action Items**

- Action Item #1: Elect a Council Chair-Elect. *Recommended by the Nominating Committee.* There was unanimous support for the election of Renee Herzfeld of 4 C's Alameda County to be the Councils Chair-Elect.
- Action Item #2: Review the 2015 LPC Zip Code Priorities. Angie Garling elucidated the changes in this edition of the priorities. *Item presented for review only.*
- Action Item #3: Review the 18-Month Work Plan, reframing it in light of Results-Based Accountability guidelines and concepts. *Item presented for review only.*
- Action Item #4: Approve support of the Symposium on Inclusion in Early Care and Education. Ellen Dektar and Julie Hadnot spoke on role of ICPC. A group comprised of SSA's Lisa Forti and Laura Schroeder, along with Mary Anne

Doan presented on this subject, presenting a PP called “Developing a Multi-Dimensional Definition of ECE Access.”

The item evolved into two motions. The first was *put forth by Jean Monroe and seconded by Sandi Soliday* to add an amendment for R.R. The Second proposal was *motioned by Mary Anne Doan and seconded by Kim DiGiacomo* to accept the proposal. The proposal was accepted unanimously.

**4. Committee Reports (verbal and/or written, time permitting):**

- **ECE Committee:** Mirella Almaraz updated the Council on this Committee’s activities. The ECE Committee met May 28, 2015. The Committee meets now every other month (instead of quarterly). The next meeting will be held August 27, 2015. The future meeting location will be housed at the Alameda County Office of Education in Hayward.
- Rosemary Almand updated members on the activities of the State Contractors group. The group met on June 18<sup>th</sup> to review the final State Budget and to provide input on the QRIS 2015-2016 grant. Future meeting is September 17, 2015,
- The Executive Committee met on June 12<sup>th</sup> at 4 C’s in Hayward. Items no. 1-5 on the agenda were approved unanimously. Angie discussed the reorganization of the Planning Council.
- Carol Thompson updated the activities of the Public Policy Committee which met in June and July of this summer. They reviewed the final state budget and discussed interest in identifying funding and mechanisms to implement a potential new law to require family child care and center staff to have three immunizations: influenza, pertussis, and measles.

**5. Community and Staff Reports**

- Ellen Dektar presented a PowerPoint summarizing Federal and State Budget updates and a commentary on the May Revise and Summary Highlights from Early Edge California.
- Quality Rating and Improvement System (QRIS) update was presented by Mary Anne Doan.
- Angie Garling brought the group up to date on staff and program changes within the ECE department at GSA and developments in the Green Child Care movement.

**6. Group Activity:**

The general meeting broke down into separate meetings at the tables to discuss aspects and strategies for the RBA Rainbow.

**7. Public Comment:**

There was no public comment.

Veronica Ufoegbune, Chair of the Early Care & Education Planning Council, adjourned the meeting at 12.02 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Early Care & Education Planning Council Staff.

**Adjourned to: Alameda County Early Care and Education Planning Council Regular Meeting,  
Friday, September 20, 2015, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., at the Redwood Room, 1100 San Leandro Blvd.**