



Committee Reports 4/17/15

Committee Name	Committee Membership	Committee Mission and Purpose	Meeting Details	April 2015 Update
<p>Early Care and Education Committee</p>	<p>Mirella Almaraz, Melanie Mueller, Co-Chairs Claire Bainer, Linda Bringman, Franca Cioria, Rory Darrah, Cathy Garcia, Charlotte Guinn, Darlene Johnston, Monique Liebhard, Laura McNair, Susan Morris, Kavita Malik, Jean Monroe, Julie Nicholson, Erica Ortiz, Zina Rosen-Simon, Carol Thompson, Tanya Smith, Veronica Ufoegbune, Jennifer Youngblood, Meher von Groenou. Mitchell Ha</p> <p>Committee Staff: Neva Bandelow (510) 208-9722</p>	<p>Purpose: To improve the quality of early care and education of children, birth to five, by considering issues and making recommendations on programs impacting children in early care and education programs, and to ensure that the Council is aware and involved in promoting best practices in all ECE programs.</p> <p>Relevant Council Goal: Monitor, support & contribute to quality improvement initiatives</p>	<p><u>ECE Committee Quarterly, the 4th Thursday of the month, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM, @4C's</u></p> <p>Future meeting: May 28, 2015 at ACOE, Hayward</p>	<p><u>ECE Committee:</u> The ECE Committee met March 26. The 2015-16 AB212 Plan was presented and approved. There was a discussion about the TK/CPSS funding criteria and plan for Alameda County. Soodie Ansari (SMCOE) presented information on the Early Childhood Language Development Institute supports provided through the San Mateo County Office of Education. Michelle Grant-Groves and Dr. Erminda Garcia (I-3) presented information on the I-3 Institute's Learning Communities offered in San Francisco and the Bay Area. The goal of the presentations was to inform Committee Members on possible support options for TK and DLL teachers/learners.</p> <p><u>Quality Rating and Improvement System Updates:</u> Tanya Smith provided updates on the status of QRIS</p>



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<p>Public Policy</p>	<p>Jenna Churchman and Carol Thompson, Co-Chairs Jenna Churchman, Rory Darrah, Diana Engel, Lisa Erickson, Leah Goldsmith, Jennifer Greppi, Judy Kriege, Melinda Martin, Robin Michel, Julie Nicholson, Linda Olivenbaum, Bobbi Rose.</p> <p>Committee Staff: Ellen Dektar (510) 208-9578</p>	<p>To monitor and develop early care and education legislation, policies and regulations that impact children, families and child care providers. Guides the Council's advocacy agenda and action, including positions on legislation.</p>	<p><u>Public Policy Committee</u> FIRST Monday of each month, 6:30pm – 8:30 PM, 4Cs of Alameda County 22351 City Center Drive</p> <p>Future meetings: May 4 June 1</p>	<p><u>Public Policy Committee</u> The Committee met in February, March, and April, provided oversight for a successful annual legislative staff appreciation breakfast (March 18th at ACOE) and voted to support numerous pieces of state legislation for the Council's consideration today.</p>
<p>Executive Committee</p>	<p>Veronica Ufoegbune, Chair Includes the Chair, Chair Elect, and All Committee Co-Chairs</p>	<p>The Executive Committee makes timely decisions in between Planning Council meetings and oversees mandated Council work, the strategic planning progress, member recruitment, education, and support.</p>	<p>Meeting Time and Location: 12:30-2pm 1000 San Leandro Blvd., San Leandro, 3rd Floor</p> <p>Future meetings: TBD</p>	<p><u>Executive Committee</u> The Committee has not met since the last Planning Council meeting.</p>



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<p>State Contractors</p>	<p>Rosemary Almand and Veronica Ufoegbune, Co-Chairs Members include representatives from all state and federally contracted ECE agencies, including Title V, Head Start and Alternative Payment.</p> <p>Committee Staff: Angie Garling (510) 208-9675</p> <p>Task Force: LINCC: Vanessa Dilks, Kim DiGiacomo, Melinda Martin, Pam Buckholz, Tanya Smith Staff: Ellen Dektar (510) 208-9578</p>	<p>Purpose: To bring together state and federally contracted agencies to share information, develop policy recommendations and advocate to retain funding in our County.</p> <p>Relevant Council Goal: Retain funding</p> <p>Current Task Forces:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enrollment and Eligibility • Local Investment in Child Care 	<p><u>State Contractors</u> 3rd Thursday of each month, 1:00 – 3:00PM, location alternates between Hayward and Oakland Future meetings: May 21, ACOE</p> <p><u>Enrollment and Eligibility</u> Fourth Thursday of each month, 10am – 12pm at 4C's in Hayward Future Meetings: 4/30</p> <p><u>LINCC (Child care facilities, land use and business support)</u> 4Cs of Alameda County Future Meeting: TBD</p>	<p><u>State Contractors</u> The group met 2/19, 3/19 and 4/16. The group continues to focus on discussing the impact of new funding sources on local programs and giving input on the new Quality Rating and Improvement System Block Grant. They are also discussing topics such as where agencies do banking services and how to positively yet realistically introduce public safety employees to preschool age children.</p> <p><u>Enrollment and Eligibility</u> The workgroup met in January, February and March. They discussed the new family fee schedule and calculating eligibility, need and family size, and as always we addressed specific situations.</p> <p><u>LINCC</u> LINCC has not met since the last Planning Council meeting.</p>



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Steering Committee	<p>Veronica Ufoegbune, Chair Rosemary Almand, Mirella Almaraz, Margaret Bartelt, Amapola Beenn, Tracey Black, Alexandria Caraballo, Jenna Churchman, Franca Cioria, Kim Di Giacomo, Mary Anne Doan, Clarissa Doutherd, Relena Ellis, Diana Engel, Carlota Escarez, Carmen Gonzalez, , Renee Herzfeld, Carolyn Hobbs, Margaret Jerene, Judy Kriege, Marva Lyons, Susan Morris, Melanie Mueller, Sarah Pollock, Ramil Rivera, Sandra Rodriguez, Zina Rosen-Simon, Sandi Soliday, Sandra Taylor, Carol Thompson</p> <p>Principal Committee Staff: Angie Garling</p>	<p>The Alameda County Child Care Planning Council advises and makes recommendations to policymakers to ensure that all children and families have access to quality child care that educates children and enriches their lives.</p>	<p>3rd Friday of every other month, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM Every Child Counts, 1100 San Leandro Blvd., San Leandro</p> <p>Future meetings: See 2015 calendar</p>	<p>The Council met January 16 to honor the late Alba Witkin, approve in concept a QRIS Block Grant plan for state preschool programs, and receive updates on state and federal budget issues as they relate to ECE.</p>

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