



Alameda County Child Care Planning Council
Public Policy Committee
June 1, 2015
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:

Jenna Churchman	Steering Committee Member, Committee Co-Chair	Daryl Hanson	Consultant
Carol Thompson	Steering Committee Member, Committee Co-Chair	Leah Goldsmith	Steering Committee Member
Diana Engel	Steering Committee member	Melinda Martin	Consultant, ACOE
Linda Olivenbaum	EBAEYC	Renee Herzfeld	Steering Committee Member

Ellen Dektar, Angie Garling ECEPC Staff

I. Announcements

Free Orozco concert for EBAEYC from 12-1:30 pm on Saturday June 13th at Freight and Salvage.

II. Updates from ECEPC Committees

State Contractor’s group focused on children with special needs strategies in Hayward, Berkeley and Albany. They do pull out and speech therapists. There was a recent state Board of Education report that highlighted shortcoming and shortfalls in programs. Head Start used to serve more than 10% of children with IESP’s.

ECE discussed TK. Teachers can be reimbursed up to \$3,000 per student over 3 years; 24 units; State Preschool teachers can also qualify; 4 application periods—2 next year, 1 in 2017; presented at ACOE Curriculum Council. The group discussed a new bill or policy to allow TK teachers to student teach in CDC (?) as an alternative to TK program. Could this be a collaboration with the Office of Chancellor or CTC?

III. Discussion and Possible Action on Federal and State Budget and Legislation

- Amendments were made to AB 833 to make it conform with San Mateo and San Francisco pilots: adding Department of Education approval and requiring Alameda County increase days of enrollment. San Mateo had been under claiming by 15% so 2% increase was a problem.
- The group said if there was a major rate increase, the pilot would not be needed. If a COLA had been granted every year over 4 years the rate would be....\$19 higher.



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- The Budget Conference Committee does not have a Bay Area representative besides Senator Leno.
- Related legislation:
 - Maximum family grant repeal, would allow 4,000 children in Alameda County and cost \$200 million statewide. Would add parents back into a grant even if child conceived while parent was on aid.
 - CalWORKs rapid rehousing: Governor has \$20 million, Assembly has \$30 million addition.
 - Lanterman Coalition is fighting for a 10% increase in developmental services budget

IV. Update and Possible Action on School District Efforts

- The 4 districts with lowest 3rd grade scores are making strides toward incorporating ece in the LCAPs.

V. RBA

- Group said it could get behind RBA and aligning ECEPC around increasing quality child care.

VI. Next Meeting Items

Not addressed

Next Meeting: Monday, July 13, 2015 6:00 pm **BANANAS**
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