



Alameda County Early Care & Education Planning Council State Contractor's Meeting

Thursday, November 21, 2019

Location: Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE) | 313 W. Winton Ave., Hayward, CA 94544

MINUTES

In Attendance:

1.	Anna Mansker	Albany USD	
2.	Carmen Baires	St. Vincent's Day Home	
3.	Darrell Whitacre	Regents of UC Berkeley, ECEP	
4.	Erica Harrell	Peralta Community College Preschool	Committee Co-chair, Steering Committee Member
5.	Makinya Ward	KidsKonnnect	Steering Committee Member Candidate
6.	Nanette Gray	Tri-Valley SELPA	Steering Committee Member Candidate
7.	Natalie Ortiz	Mission Analytics Group	
8.	Neva Bandelow	Alameda County Office of Education (ACOE)	Steering Committee Member Ex-Officio
9.	Page Tomblin	First 5 Alameda	Steering Committee Member Candidate
10.	Yvonne Stillitano	Hively	
11.	Maria Carriedo	Berkeley USD	

ECE Program Staff: *Anna Miera, Denise Turner, Ellen Dektar, Lorita Riga*

ACTION ITEMS: Promote the upcoming Free DRDP Online Trainings! - ALL

I. Welcome, Introductions, Announcements, Resource Sharing: Erica Harrell, Co-chair convened the meeting at 1:10 pm. Karen Monroe, the Superintendent of Schools for Alameda County, greeted participants. The Superintendent shared the purpose for her presence as she hosted a luncheon with her current and new appointees to the Planning Council. Superintendent Monroe asked each participant of the State Contractors committee to introduce themselves and their role within their respective child care programs or agencies and thanked the members for the work they do.

Announced:

- ECE Quality Committee: The ECE Program launched a RFA for Dual Language Learning (DLL) Professional Development deadline: **Friday December 13, 2019**. The registration for phase two of the DLL training is planned for the Spring of 2020.

II. Presentation: The committee received a virtual data tour of QRIS database system by Enith Sánchez of First5 San Francisco; and an update of 2017/2018 QRIS Program data and findings. The members viewed QRIS participation statewide as well as the level region and local level for Alameda County.

- i. Members considered how the data could be made available for use in planning work because

the database system is not currently publicly accessible. Participating agencies may request specific data sets at this time.

- ii. Participants were also impressed with the functionality of the data system; Microsoft Power BI is the platform.

III. Focused Conversation – Increased Access and Successful Transitions: Denise Turner, Planning Council Coordinator facilitated a focused conversation with the committee members. The topics fulfilled the Preschool Development Grant (PDG) deliverables for the Local Planning Council. Members shared their experiences and perspectives regarding Family engagement, access to child care, and successful transitions for children birth to under age five and their families.

IV. Review & Discuss Local, State, and Federal Legislation and Budget

- **Final State Budget:** The committee was briefed on State bills and the Governor’s budget resulting from this year’s legislative cycle.
- **Local Sales Tax Measure:** Alameda County Children’s Health & Child Care Initiative
The Committee members discussed process benchmarks of the local sales tax measure following the conclusion of signature gathering efforts and the delivery of signatures to the registrar of voters.

- V. **Adjournment:** A member requested consideration for an agenda item regarding further engagement with the California Department of Education (CDE) in support of State child care contracting related concerns. This matter will be further considered by the Committee Co-chairs. Members were encouraged to forward any additional agenda items and resources prior to the next meeting.
- **Members were advised that meeting recurrence has changed from the third to the fourth Thursday of each month in 2020. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM.**

**Next Meeting: (Later postponed to) Thursday, January 23, 2020 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
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