



**ALAMEDA COUNTY EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PLANNING COUNCIL
STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
May 15, 2020**

Steering Committee Members Present: [20]			
Katie Honegger	Vincent Cheng	Julie Nicholson	Jennifer Cabán
Nanette Gray	Tiffany Rose Naputi Lacsado	Ana Del Aguila	Michele Stillwell- Parvensky
Neva Bandelow	Melanie Mueller	LaWanda Wesley	Kristina Adams
Makinya Ward	Page Tomblin	Kym Johnson	Kelly O'Lague Dulka
Darlene Johnston	Nancy Harvey	Yessenia Chavez	Jessica Blakemore
Steering Committee Members Absent: [8]			
Briana Brown	Alexandra Boskovich	Nancy Strohl	Victoria Porell
Erica Harrell		Susan Morris	
General Members & Visitors Present: [7]			
Stephen Day (Lakeshore Learning)	Noni Galloway	Roseanne Adams	Renee Herzfeld
Bahaar Tadjbakhsh (SEIU 521)	Michele Rutherford (First 5)		
Early Care & Education Program Staff Present: [7]			
Anna Miera	Angela Cabrera	Denise Turner	Lexi Oliva
Ellen Dektar	Lorita Riga	Sujatha Ganesasankar	

Action Items:

- Make nominations for Chair-elect by June 1
- Direct families in need of child care to COVID-10 ECE County-Wide Collaborative Response Team coordinate intake form.

I. Call to Order

- Melanie Mueller (Chair) called the meeting to order and welcomed new members
- Brief overview of the COVID-19 ECE County-Wide Collaborative Response Effort (more below)
- Nominations for Chair-elect: Nominations are being delayed for several months. Members to make nominations by June 1.

II. Consent Calendar

- Approved the January 17, 2020 Minutes
 - The Chair called for a motion to approve the letter, Jenn Caban motioned and Kym Johnson seconded.
 - The motion passed with no abstentions.

III. Planning Council Business

- No action items

IV. Committee Reports

- Quality Committee working to develop a one-page quality statement.

V. Community and Staff Reports

- Alameda County Children’s Health and Child Care Initiative: Board of Supervisors approved the initiative, but anticipating legal opposition by July 7. Next steps on the Community Advisory Committee are on hold.
- Parent Voices Oakland conducted an impact survey of families to understand the impact of COVID-19 and will be holding biweekly Parent Power zoom meetings.

- Parent Voices Annual Parent Forum will be on July 25th and biweekly
- Planning Council Coordinator's Report:
 - Zip Code Priorities approval will be postponed to August; Workforce Development Grant (AB 212) also postponed and State Infrastructure grants likely to be rescinded.
 - Presentation: Federal, State, and Local Budget and Policy Update
 - National and state surveys indicate that many providers have closed and/or need immediate financial assistance to remain open
 - Overview of Governor's May Revise proposal, as well as federal budget and policy landscape
 - Public Policy Committee will be developing priorities for the Planning Council
- Members can reach out to Tiffany Rose Lacsado for assistance with business supports for child care programs or masks

VI. Communications and Correspondence /

- Overview of January 31, 2020 Letter to Governor Newsom on 2020 State Budget
- Letter to Governor Newsom on May Revise will be sent by individual organizations given Planning Council schedule.

VII. Presentations & Discussion

- COVID-19 ECE County-Wide Collaborative Response Effort:
 - Response team is tracking program openings and closures, identifying mental health resources, coordinating supplies, and offering webinars for provider, among other actions. Team has also developed a coordinated intake form for child care requests.
 - Team includes the R&Rs, First 5, Alameda County ECE Program, Alameda County Office of Education, Alameda County Public Health, and Alameda County Social Services Agency.
- Presentation on Federal, State, and Local Policy and Budget proposals.

VIII. Adjournment

- The Chair adjourned the meeting.