



CONTRA COSTA COUNTY LOCAL PLANNING COUNCIL FOR CHILD CARE AND DEVELOPMENT

Minutes of Board Meeting March 27, 2008

Members Present: Daryl Hanson, Patty Pin, Kathy Lafferty, Cathy Roof, Judy Waggoner, Margaret Wiegert Jacobs, Deborah Penry, Lynn Pfeiffer, Doug Rowe, Sue Houweling, Virginia Richardson

Members Absent: Gloria Hartsough, Alexandra Montgomery, and Joan Means

Staff Present: Ruth Fernandez and Sue Christy

Guests: Debi Silverman, First 5 Contra Costa
Patrick Shannon, YMCA
Elsie Witt, Los Medanos College Coordinator, CA Mentor Program
Lisa Raffel, Catholic Charities

1. Opening Procedures:

a. Welcome/Introductions:

Chair Kathy Lafferty asked for introductions all around, invited guests to join members at the table and encouraged everyone to help him or herself to the food provided.

b. Agenda review and adoption:

Chair Lafferty asked for agenda review and any changes. Chair Lafferty asked that an item called Legislation be added to agenda item 7.0 LPC Committee Reports and suggested it become a permanent item. All were in favor of addition.

Motion was made to approve amended agenda. *Amended agenda adopted.*

c. Consider Approval of Minutes:

Chair Lafferty asked for any corrections to the January 24, 2008 meeting minutes.

Corrections:

- Virginia Richardson was in attendance at the January 24, 2008 LPC meeting
- CCDAA – Kathy Lafferty corrected the spelling of **CEDLI** - California Economic Development Lending Initiative (this agency has funds from the Lucille Packard Foundation for cash loans for non-profit children's programs)

Motion was made to approve amended minutes. *Amended minutes adopted.*

2. Public Comment:

No comments from the public.

3. Nominating Committee Appointments

Chair Lafferty encouraged all to participate and thanked Ruth for her assistance. There are several vacant seats and the Chair seat will be opening. Patty Pin is currently on committee. Doug Rowe and Judy Waggoner volunteered to serve on the committee. Ruth Fernandez will set-up a committee meeting. Notification to the entire council to take place 2 weeks prior to voting at the May meeting. Positions begin July 1.

4. Project Access Presentation by Lisa Raffel

Project Access is a project of Catholic Charities of the East Bay providing training and supportive services for non-native speakers of English who want to enter and advance in the Early Childhood Education field. The level of students coming to class are different. Those with college units may still feel uncomfortable with English so want to come to class. Classes are currently held in Richmond and Concord. Lisa asked for support in finding office space for a part-time staff in Central County. Curriculum was passed around and a brochure describing support offered was given out. Lisa will present more data at the May meeting.

5. Discussion of "Countywide Child Care Plan 2008-2011"

The draft document prepared from information gathered at the retreat was reviewed. Patty Pin and Ruth stressed the importance that input/changes be given to them no later than Monday, March 31. Once the plan has approval from the Superintendent and Family and Human Services, it must be sent to the State no later than June 30. Guest question - how is information disseminated? The final approved plan can be shared with City Council, Mayor, other Districts, Agency partners and the public. Speaker Bureau will make presentations next year.

Motion to approve plan draft pending changes. *Approved.*

Changes will be sent to members.

6. LPC Coordinator's Report

- Kindergarten Transition Symposium (flyer in packet) – funded by AB2112 one-time allocation. Goal: bring together and start/continue relationship re: school readiness. Bring the topic to the surface and build momentum. Ruth will email a draft of the invitation letter to members. Invitation will suggest a school register a team of 3 – a team lead and 2 other participants.
- AB212 update –
- AB212 One-time Funding – Permit and PDP applications continue to come in requesting course completion bonus and other PDP incentives. Based on current expenditures we will spend all AB212 and AB212 one-time funding for FY 2007-2008. All 4 Professional Growth Award Modules will be completed by April 12, 2008.
- Membership Updates – Audiences not represented for vacancies – invite

- Correspondence/Events Calendar – Module 1 = 122 participants; Director Leadership Awards in March
- Future Events - Mills in April, PACE conference in April

7. LPC Committee Reports

Executive Committee – Kathy Lafferty

Judy Waggoner asked if any feedback was received from letter to First 5 regarding their paying rewards when AB212 is out of funds. No feedback has been received. Kathy will check with Sean from First 5 to see if letter has been sent to Commission.

Legislation – Kathy Lafferty

Kathy handed out information regarding introduction of legislation SB1410, that will allow licensed Title 5 child care centers to be reimbursed at not less than the reimbursement for licensed-exempt child care provider or the SRR whichever is greater. Kathy asked for support from the LPC. Motion was made to send a letter of LPC support – Kathy would hand carry the letter to the hearing on April 2.

Motion approved.

Project Advisory Committee – Virginia Richardson

Nothing to report

Countywide Child Care Plan Adhoc Committee – Patty Pin

Nothing to report

Advocacy Committee – Cathy Roof

Nothing to report

8. Meetings attended by council members –

First 5, CCAEYC, CCDAA, CAISAC, Contra Costa State-funded Administrator's Meeting, Gatekeepers to Quality, Child Care Council, etc.

NO REPORTS DUE TO LACK OF TIME

9. LPC Member Questions/Comments

No questions/comments

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m.