

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



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Wednesday, June 1, 2016 • 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)
9300 Imperial Highway, Room EC 281
Downey, California 90242

AGENDA

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| 1. | Welcome and Introductions | | Sarah Soriano, Chair |
| noon | | | |
| 2. | Approval of Minutes | Action Item | Debra Colman, Vice Chair |
| 12:10 | ▪ May 4, 2016 | | |
| 3. | Public Policy Report | | Michele Sartell, Staff |
| 12:15 | ▪ Governor's May Revise to the 2016-17 Proposed Budget Revisions | | |
| | * Overview of Child Care and Development Proposals | | |
| | * Senate and Assembly Budget Hearing Outcomes | | |
| | * Conference Committee Convenes | | |
| 4. | Presentation of Membership Slate 2015-17 | Action Item | Ancelma Sanchez and
Nellie Ríos-Parra, Co-chairs
Governance Work Group |
| 12:45 | | | |
| 5. | Election of Officers – Chair and Vice Chair | Action Item | Ancelma Sanchez and
Nellie Ríos-Parra |
| 12:55 | | | |
| 6. | Ad Hoc Committees | | Co-chairs:
Catalina Sanchez, Aolelani Lutu
Michael Shannon, Andrea Sulsona
Bernadette Chase, Sara Vasquez |
| 1:00 | ▪ Research | | |
| | ▪ Writing and Review | | |
| | ▪ Communications and Action | | |
| 7. | Linking Efforts: Cross-cutting Issues Among Standing Committees and Ad Hoc Committees | | Debra Colman, Staff |
| 1:40 | | | |
| 8. | Announcements and Public Comment | | Debra Colman |
| 1:50 | | | |
| 9. | Call to Adjourn | | Sarah Soriano |
| 2:00 | | | |

Next Meeting

Wednesday, September 7, 2016 • 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
Center for Healthy Communities at The California Endowment
1000 North Alameda Street, Big Sur Room
Los Angeles, CA 90012

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Child Care Planning Committee is to engage parents, child care providers, allied organizations, community, and public agencies in collaborative planning efforts to improve the overall child care infrastructure of Los Angeles County, including the quality and continuity, affordability, and accessibility of child care and development services for all families.



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Meeting Minutes – May 4, 2016

Members in Attendance: (34) Demitra Adams, Alejandra Berrio, Alicia Fernandez for Ana Campos, Edilma Cavazos, Bernadette Chase, Richard Cohen, Debra Colman, Diane Esquer, Teresa Figueras, Robert Beck for Nora Garcia-Rosales, La Tanga Hardy, Jennifer Kuida, Aolelani Lutu, Ritu Mahajan, Cyndi McCauley, Pat Mendoza, Micha Mims, Melissa Noriega, Kelly O’Connell, Catalina Sanchez for Daniel Orosco, Nellie Ríos-Parra, Ricardo Rivera, Joyce Robinson, Reiko Sakuma, Ancelma Sanchez, Kathy Schreiner, Janet Scully, Michael Shannon, Sarah Soriano, Fiona Stewart, Andrea Sulsona, Jenny Trickey, Rhonda-Maria Tuivai, and Vikun Kazarian for Sara Vasquez

Guests and Alternates: Ranae Amezquia, Ezequiel Castro, Jennifer Cowan, Pat Reed-Cunningham, Sally Durbin, Mireya Garcia, White Hayslip, Tara Henriquez, Andrea Joseph, Alina Lucero, Faith Ramirez, Roselle Schafer, JoAnn Shalhoub-Mejia, Maricela Tafoya, Dean Tagawa, Julie Taren, Connie White, and Lisa Wilkin

Staff: Michele Sartell

1. Welcome and Introductions

Sarah Soriano, Chair to the Child Care Planning Committee (Planning Committee), opened the meeting at 12:09 p.m. She welcomed members, alternates and guests and then read the opening statement. She invited members, alternates and guests to make self-introductions.

2. Approval of Minutes

The Vice Chair called for a motion to approve the minutes from April 6, 2016. Nellie Ríos-Parra made the motion to approve; the motion was seconded by Jenny Trickey. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Help Me Grow-LA

Sara welcomed Faith Ruperto-Ramirez, Program Officer with First 5 LA, and Whit Hayslip, Early Learning Consultant to present on the launch of an initiative to promote early identification and intervention in children at risk for developmental delays and other disabilities. Speaker bios were included in the meeting packets.

Referring meeting participants to the PowerPoint presentation, Faith noted that one in four children under five years old are at risk for developmental, behavioral or social delays. She continued that early identification and connections with services contributes to better outcomes in the health and learning of the children identified with delays. The proposed solution is Help Me Grow, a system that promotes early identification and connects children identified as at risk to community-based programs and services. Help Me Grow is intended to support programs working with children who may be identified with delays.

Faith and Whit introduced the structure of the initiative that will be formally launched by First 5 LA at an event scheduled for May 20, 2016. Help Me Grow is a framework that is built on partnerships with systems that serve children and families, funders, advocacy and policy partners, and



evaluators, among others. And it is about systems change. Faith concluded the presentation by outlining opportunities for stakeholder participation in the adoption of the Help Me Grow framework in Los Angeles County and the timeline for activities.

Sarah thanked Faith and Whit for their presentation and invited them to use the Planning Committee as a sounding board as they move forward with the initiative.

4. Standing Work Groups

Debra Colman, Vice Chair, directed members, alternates and guests to join their respective work groups – Access/Inclusion, Quality and Workforce. She reminded the work groups to select a scribe, timekeeper and reporter.

5. Ad Hoc Committees

Meeting participants next transitioned into their respective committees – Research, Writing and Review, and Communications and Action. Debra announced the co-chairs of each and again asked that a scribe, timekeeper and reporter be selected.

6. Linking Efforts: Cross-cutting Issues Among Standing Work Groups and Ad Hoc Committees

Michele re-convened the meeting participants and asked representatives of each of the Standing Work Groups and Ad Hoc Committees to highlight cross-cutting issues.

Research

- Work collecting data sets continues. Michele expects to receive the demographic data from the County's Urban Research division by May 31st.
- Organizations, such as the Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles, will be asked whether they have data to augment other sources to ensure a complete and accurate picture of Los Angeles County.

Writing and Review

- The committee would like to know more about the landscape of needs from Research and whether the data will be available by Service Planning Area (SPA).
- There is an interest to document provider challenges in the report, such as issues relating to the minimum wage and reimbursement rates.
- Some thought is being given to the formulation of recommendations, including on issues that impact programs' abilities to provide quality services to children and their families.

Communications and Action

- The goal is to make the needs assessment a living document that may be used by a diversity of stakeholders.
- The focus of the breakout was on preparing elements of a plan to be included in the application for submission to First 5 LA for conference and event funding when the opportunity opens in October 2016 with a target of holding the conference in March.
- The committee will be seeking input from the other committees and work groups to inform event planning.
- Other sources of funding may be explored to help with graphic work, PSAs, an interactive app. Exploring accessing discretionary funds for Board of Supervisor members was suggested.

7. Public Policy Report

Michele provided a brief report on behalf of the Joint Committee on Legislation. The Roundtable did not have a quorum last month, so was unable to take action on the proposal to recommend that the Board of Supervisors adopt a pursuit of position in support of AB 2150 (Santiago and Weber). In brief, the bill would 1) guarantee 12 months of continuous assistance once a family has been determined eligible for subsidized child care and development services; 2) require the use of current census data to establish income eligibility; and 3) establish ongoing income eligibility for families whose income has increased at time of redetermination not to exceed the federal income limit of 85 percent of the State Median Income (SMI). The Roundtable also asked the Joint Committee to research any changes to demonstrated need as a criterion for ongoing eligibility.

The Governor is expected to release his revisions to the proposed 2016-17 state budget on Friday, May 13, 2016. Information on child care and development items will be sent to stakeholders shortly after the May Revise becomes available.

8. Announcements and Public Comment

- The South Chapter of the Infant Development Association (IDA) is hosting a breakfast on May 16, 2016 with a presentation entitled “It’s All in the Family”. This presentation will address questions related to meeting the needs of children with special needs and offer strategies for strengthening families. Parents of children of all ages who have special needs and professionals working to build their skills in promoting social-emotional development are especially encouraged to attend. For more information, visit <http://idaofcal.org/doc.asp?id=632>.
- A “Little Builders” conference is planned in Long Beach. Teachers will be invited to participate in a project. See Sarah Soriano for more information.

9. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 2:08 p.m.

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Governor's Revised 2016-17 Budget Proposals (May Revise) ...Early Care and Education

Prepared for the Los Angeles County Child Care Planning Committee
June 1, 2016



Overview

- Continuation of fiscal conservancy
- Preparing for the next recession
- No new funding for child care and development
- Details reform proposals introduced in January and then some...

Building Upon Structural Changes

- Early Education Block Proposal
 - ❖ Consolidates Prop 98 funding resources (\$1.6B) allocated to California State Preschool Program and Transitional Kindergarten
 - ❖ Funding to school districts to target low-income and at-risk 4 and 5 year old children; prioritizes services for certain populations of children
 - ❖ \$20M to county offices of education (COEs) (\$10M one-time/\$10M ongoing) to work with school districts and other providers on transition activities
 - ❖ School districts may contract with other providers
 - ❖ Effective Fiscal Year 2017-18

Building Upon Structural Changes

■ Vouchers for Child Care Proposal

- ❖ California Department of Education (CDE) to develop a plan to transition from contracted funding for non-Proposition 98 subsidized child care and development services into vouchers over five years
- ❖ Purpose – provide eligible working families with better access
- ❖ Sets forth a set of recommendations to streamline existing system – General Child Care, Migrant Child Care, Alternative Payment Program and CalWORKs Child Care – using vouchers as method of subsidy

Building Upon Structural Changes

- Vouchers for Child Care Proposal (continued)
 - ❖ Recommendations:
 - Single reimbursement system reflecting variations in cost of doing business across the state
 - Single set of minimum quality and program guidelines for all subsidized providers by setting
 - Improved efficiency for parents to access information, apply for and use vouchers
 - Improved efficiencies for providers to receive payment

Building Upon Structural Changes

- Vouchers for Child Care Proposal (continued)
 - ❖ Transition plan to include ensuring continuity of care for families participating in contracted programs
 - Technical assistance for contracted programs to participate in voucher programs
 - ❖ No increase to existing state costs for subsidized child care and not reflect a reduction in the number of slots available statewide
 - ❖ CDE to engage in stakeholder process –Department of Social Services, Governor’s State Advisory Council for Early Learning and Care, First 5 CA, alternative payment agencies, contracted child care providers, local education agencies, and families

May Revise Proposal

- Eliminates Local Planning Councils (LPCs)
 - ❖ Deletes provisions pertaining to selection and convening of LPC members
 - ❖ Requires COEs – individually or in consortium – to provide forum for identification of local priorities for child care and development policies to meet the needs identified within those priorities
 - ❖ Requires COEs to conduct assessment of child care needs in the county at least once every three years using data elements defined and prescribed by the CDE
 - ❖ Beginning FY 2016-17, would allocate funding for LPCs in the annual budget act to the COEs

Status of Budget Proposals – Senate and Assembly Budget Hearing Outcomes

- Early Education Block Grant – REJECTED
- Vouchers for Child Care Trailer Bill Language – REJECTED
- Eliminating and shifting of Local Planning Council Activities (LPCs) – REJECTED

Budget Conference Committee Items

- Assembly package
 - ❖ \$618.6M (\$405M non-Prop 98 and \$213.5M Prop 98)
 - ❖ Increase Standard Reimbursement Rate (SRR) by 15%
 - ❖ Increase Regional Market Rate (RMR) to 80th percentile of the 2014 survey
 - ❖ Increase license-exempt rates to 80% of current family child care home rate
 - ❖ Implement 12 months of continuous eligibility
 - ❖ Increase income eligibility to 85% of current State Median Income (SMI)
 - ❖ Add 10K preschool slots (7,500 PD; 2,500 FD)
 - ❖ Add 6,000 Alternative Payment Program slots

Budget Conference Committee Items

- Assembly package (continued)
 - ❖ \$78.4M for one-time and ongoing quality improvement
 - ❖ Creation of Blue Ribbon Commission on Early Care and Education comprised of state leaders and early care and education experts from throughout the state to develop options for improving services for children 0-3 and for implementing Universal Pre-K for all 4 Year-olds.

Budget Conference Committee Items

- Senate package
 - ❖ \$99M (\$64M non-Prop 98 and \$35M Prop 98)
 - ❖ Increase Standard Reimbursement Rate (SRR) by 4% effective 1/1/2016
 - ❖ Increase Regional Market Rate (RMR) to 75th percentile of the 2014 survey beginning 1/1/2017
 - ❖ Add 2,000 Alternative Payment Program slots effective 10/1/16

Discussion...



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Proposed Membership Slate – 2016-17

Parent/Consumer	Child Care Provider	Community	Public Agency	Discretionary
Alejandra Berrio Dignity Health/Hope St Family Ctr (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 3; SD 5 - home	Sandy Dingman Dingman Family Child Care (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 5; SD 2/4	Edilma Cavazos WestEd PITC PQ (2 nd term ends 2018) SPA 3; SD 5	Demitra Adams LAC Depart of Public Health/NFP (1 st term ends 2018) Countywide – SPA 4; SD 2	Kelly O'Connell 1st Supervisorial District Rep
Mona Franco UCLA Early Childhood Education (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 5; SD 2 - home	Diane Esquer Esquer Family Child Care/LAUP (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 7; SD 1	Bernadette Chase Harbor Interfaith Services (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 4	Alicia Fernandez LACOE Head Start-State Preschool (1 st term ends 2019) Countywide – SPA 7; SD 4	Pending replacement 2nd Supervisorial District Rep
Tara Henriquez Laura Valles & Associates, Inc. (1 st term ends 2019) SPA (need home)	Lindsey Evans Un Mundo de Amigos Preschool (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 4	Debra Colman First 5 LA (2 nd term ends 2017) Countywide – SPA 4; SD 1	Teresa Figueras Hacienda-La Puente USD (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 3: SD 1	Pending replacement 3rd Supervisorial District Rep
Andrea Joseph California Children's Academy (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 4; SD 1	La Tanga Gail Hardy LA Trade-Tech Community College (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 4; SD 1	Aolelani Lutu Simmal Expressions (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 2	Nora Garcia-Rosales Department of Public Social Services (2 nd term ends 2018) Countywide – SPA 3; SD 1	Sarah Soriano 4th Supervisorial District Rep
Karla Pleitéz Howell Advancement Project (1 st term ends 2019) SPA ; SD	Valerie Marquez Redondo Beach USD/Edison Center State Preschool (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 8; SD 2/4	Ritu Mahajan Public Counsel (2 nd term ends 2019) Countywide – SPA 4; SD 2	Micha Mims City of LA Dept of Rec & Parks (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 6; SD	Dianne Philibosian 5th Supervisorial District Rep
Daniel Polanco D.A.D. Project (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 8; SD 2	Pat Mendoza Lawndale Elementary School District (1 st term ends 2017) SPA 8; SD 2	Cyndi McAuley Therapeutic Living Ctrs for the Blind (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 2; SD 3	Daniel Orosco LACOE Early Learning Support Unit (1 st term ends 2018) Countywide – SPA 7; SD 4	Tonya Burns Children Today (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 8; SD 4
Nellie Rios-Parra Lennox School District (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 2 (work)	Ricardo Rivera Baldwin Park Unified School District (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 3 ; SD 1	Melissa Noriega SEIU (1 st term ends 2017) SPA 4; SD 2	Laurel Parker Norwalk-La Mirada USD (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 7; SD 4	Sally Durbin Teaching at the Beginning, Inc. (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 2; SD 3
Roselle Schafer Young Horizons (1 st term ends 2019) SPA (need home address)	Reiko Sakuma ABC 123 Long Beach Learning Ctr (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 4	Joyce Robinson Low Income Investment Fund (LIIF) (1 st term ends 2017) Countywide – SPA 4 ; SD 1	Mariana Sanchez Monrovia USD/Canyon Early Learning Center (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 3; SD 1/5	Kathy Schreiner ECE Workforce Advocate (2 nd term ends 2017) SPA 2; SD 3
Carolyn Wong Little Tokyo Service Center (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 3; SD 1 - home	Andrea Sulsona YMCA of Greater Long Beach (1 st term ends 2017) SPA 8; SD 4	Ancelma Sanchez SCAEYC (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 4; SD 1	Janet Scully Department of Public Health (2 nd term ends 2019) Countywide – SPA 4; SD 2	Michael Shannon Consultant (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 4
Vacant	Rhonda-Marie Tuivai Kidz R Me Preschool (FCC) (1 st term ends 2018) SPA 8; SD 4	Truyen Tran Jumpstart (1 st term ends 2019) SPA 4; SD 1/2	Jenny Trickey Santa Monica College (2 nd term ends 2019) SPA 5; SD 3	Fiona Stewart Child Care Alliance of Los Angeles (2 nd term ends 2018) Countywide – SPA 4; SD 1

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CHECKING IN – MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES

How are we doing? How could we do better?

Please rate each item on a scale of 1 to 5 – “1” indicates strong disagreement with the statement and “5” indicates strong agreement .		Rating
1.	I understand my responsibilities as a member or alternate of the Child Care Planning Committee (Planning Committee). Comments:	
2.	I understand the Planning Committee’s mission and its obligations as a County Local Planning Child Care and Development Council. Comments:	
3.	The Planning Committee’s structure is clear, including officers, work groups and staff. Comments:	
4.	The Planning Committee has clear goals that lead to relevant actions. Comments:	
5.	The Planning Committee focuses on appropriate issues. Comments:	
6.	Planning Committee meetings are worthwhile and well attended. Comments:	
7.	Members and alternates are provided with appropriate materials in a timely manner, allowing for informed decision-making at Planning Committee meetings. Comments:	
8.	The Planning Committee meeting format is effective. Comments:	
9.	The Planning Committee is effectively utilizing my skills for addressing the overall infrastructure. Comments:	
10.	Other issues we should be aware of:	

Name (not required – may help with clarification, if needed):





CHECKING IN – COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS

How are we doing? How could we do better?

Please rate each item on a scale of 1 to 5 – “1” indicates strong disagreement with the statement and “5” indicates strong agreement .		Rating
1.	I understand the Planning Committee’s mission and its obligations as a County Local Planning Child Care and Development Council. Comments:	
2.	The Planning Committee’s structure is clear, including officers, work groups and staff. Comments:	
3.	The Planning Committee has clear goals that lead to relevant actions. Comments:	
4.	The Planning Committee focuses on appropriate issues. Comments:	
5.	Planning Committee meetings are worthwhile and well attended. Comments:	
6.	Meeting materials are appropriate and informative. Comments:	
7.	The Planning Committee meeting format is effective. Comments:	
8.	The Planning Committee engages effectively with related organizations to improve the overall infrastructure of early care and education. Comments:	
9.	How many Planning Committee meetings have you attended in the past year? Comments:	
10.	Other comments/suggestions:	

Name (not required – may help with clarification, if needed):

