



**SAN MATEO COUNTY CHILD CARE PARTNERSHIP COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES**

**Monday, May 16, 2022
Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

CCPC Members Present: Karen Alden, Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Elizabeth Foster (Left early), Karen Haas-Foletta, Valerie Higgins (Late), Heather Hopkins, Cheryl Oku, Karen Pace, Christine Padilla, Jenifer Pifeleti, Elizabeth Scully, Tal Tamir (Left early), Christine Thorsteinson, Guillermo Vasquez (Late), Lisa Zimiga

CCPC Members Absent: Alice Kuo, Tina Watts,

CCPC Co-chairs Present: County Superintendent Nancy Magee, Supervisor Dave Pine

Staff: Sarah Kinahan/Ian Johnson

Minutes: Ian Johnson

1. Call to Order

A quorum was present. Supervisor Dave Pine called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

- 2. Action to adopt a resolution finding that, as a result of continuing COVID-19 pandemic state of emergency, meeting in person for the Child Care Partnership Council would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees (Attachments #1A and #1B)**

MOTION: ALDEN/ SECOND: PACE

AYES (ROLL CALL VOTE): Karen Alden, Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Elizabeth Foster, Karen Haas-Foletta, Heather Hopkins, Superintendent Nancy Magee, Cheryl Oku, Karen Pace, Christine Padilla, Jenifer Pifeleti, Supervisor Dave Pine, Elizabeth Scully, Tal Tamir, Christine Thorsteinson, Lisa Zimiga

NOES: NONE.

ABSTAIN:

MOTION APPROVED.

- 3. Action to Set Agenda for the May 16, 2022, Meeting and Approval of Minutes for March 21, 2022, meeting (Attachment #2)**

MOTION: THORSTEINSON/ SECOND: ZIMIGA

AYES (ROLL CALL VOTE): Karen Alden, Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Elizabeth Foster, Karen Haas-Foletta, Heather Hopkins, Superintendent Nancy Magee, Cheryl Oku, Karen Pace, Christine Padilla, Jenifer Pifeleti, Supervisor Dave Pine, Elizabeth Scully, Tal Tamir, Christine Thorsteinson, Lisa Zimiga

NOES: NONE.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

MOTION APPROVED.

4. Public Comment

Jessica Mihaly shared that she will be stepping down from her position with Menlo Park City School District at the end of the school year. Hannah Stewart will be assuming the early learning director position at the Menlo Park City School District and will oversee their preschools and their Transitional Kindergarten implementation.

5. Presentation – Choose Children Campaign

Christine Thorsteinson and Cheye Calvo

Christine Thorsteinson and Cheye Calvo presented on the Choose Children campaign, being led by the Silicon Valley Community Foundation. Choose Children is a non-partisan initiative in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties committed to elevating issues important to our younger kids and their families in the 2022 local election. The Choose Children campaign goal is to advance children and give them the best possible start in life and establish solutions to create a region where young children and their families can thrive, ensuring that officials are champions for kids and continue to be, and that the public understands and prioritizes these issues when they're making their choices at the ballot box. For more information visit www.choosechildren.org. (Additional links are available in the link section of the CCPC General Meeting Minutes.)

6. Discussion of SMCOE’s Universal Prekindergarten Plan

Marco Chávez

Marco Chávez, Deputy Superintendent of Educational Services at SMCOE provided an update on of the UPK Planning and activities SMCOE has been engaged in and provided an opportunity for the group to provide feedback.

- The San Mateo County Office of Education held informational sessions January through April 2022 with Local Education Agencies (LEAs), CBOs (community-based organizations), and specialized groups like the San Mateo Systems Change Group for Young Children.
- SMCOE also issued a feedback survey; a second survey will be issued to dive a little bit deeper into the needs exposed by the initial survey. Some keys issues raised in the initial survey were workforce development and credentialing support for preschool and TK teachers, funding and partnership opportunities for CBO/non-LEAs, providing examples of program structures with blended funding for UPK/UTK, establishing a listserv to provide UPK updates, and delivering technical assistance on strategies to provide a mixed delivery system for full-day care.
- In partnering with our community colleges (Skyline and Cañada college), a menu of coursework (24 ECE units) has been developed and shared with school districts for teachers to engage with over the summer.
- SMCOE will also offer a summer institute to provide strategies to teachers that are going to be teaching TK (UTK Summer Institute: July 25-29).
- SMCOE has also engaged in writing the Teacher Residency Capacity Planning Grant: UPK (Awarded) and the Early Education Teacher Development Grant (EETD), leading a consortium 8 LEAs (Due 5/27/22). The purpose of the Teacher Residency Capacity Planning Grant is to expand, strengthen, improve access to, or create teacher residency programs. The Early Education Teacher Development Grant (EETD) was established as a state initiative with the goal of expanding access to classroom-based prekindergarten programs at local educational agencies (LEAs) and planning for the increased number of teachers needed to fully implement Universal Prekindergarten.
- SMCOE has also developed a directory of Licensed Preschool and School Age Child Care Program in San Mateo County in response to requests received by the school districts and early learning providers.

Following the update, Marco Chávez asked CCPC members and guest to ask questions or provide feedback. Deputy Superintendent Chávez also shared a survey link asking for CCPC members, guests, and stakeholders to provide thoughts and feedback on UPK implementation. (The survey link is available in the link section of the CCPC General Meeting Minutes.)

7. Coordinator’s Report (Attachment #3)

Sarah Kinahan reviewed highlights from the Coordinator’s Report (Attachment #3 in the May 16, 2022, meeting packet). She additionally shared highlights of the Governor’s May Revise budget which included:

- \$403 million additional for the Expanded Learning Opportunities Program bringing the total funding to \$4.8 billion for 22-23.
- Waiver of family fees for state preschool, general child care, and the alternative payment program.

- Extension of “hold harmless” policy to fund state preschool, general child care, and the alternative payment program based on either authorized care or contract amount, rather than child attendance.
- A local assignment option to allow a teacher with a BA and teacher permit to teach in a TK classroom if they are also enrolled in a credential program.
- Addition of \$205 million for facilities renovation and repair.

8. Renew Zip Code Priorities for 2022-23 (Attachment #4) Sarah Kinahan

The CCPC updated zip code priorities in 2021. As new data has not been provided yet to make changes to these priorities, the CCPC proposed that the previous year (2021) Zip Code priorities be carried over for another year. With the completion of the CCPC Needs Assessment in 2022, the CCPC will have new data to make changes to the Zip Code Priorities for 2023-2024.

9. Action to renew last year’s zip code priorities for 2022-23 (Attachment #4) Sarah Kinahan

MOTION: FLEISHMAN/ SECOND: PIFELETI

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NOES: NONE.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

MOTION APPROVED.

10. Committees’ Reports

The chairs for the Access, Leadership and Impact, Quality, and Workforce Committees provided brief updates on committee work.

- Heather Cleary shared that the Workforce Committee met on May 2nd, 2022. The committee is currently prioritizing supporting proposals for using ARPA funds to build the local workforce, and the San Mateo County Office of Education’s Early Education Teacher Development Grant. The Workforce Committee also asks that in this time of transition and establishing UPK/UTK that the focus to supporting the 0 to 3 workforce remains consistent.
- The Access Committee did not meet and will provide an update at the next meeting.
- The Quality Committee did not meet and will provide an update at the next meeting.
- The Leadership and Impact Committee did not meet and will provide an update at the next meeting.

CCPC Committees did not meet today, to access Committee Agenda and Meeting Minutes, please visit: <https://www.smcoe.org/about/child-care-partnership-council/agendas-and-minutes.html>

11. Adjournment

County Supervisor Dave Pine adjourned the meeting at 11:43a.m.

The next meeting will be held on June 27, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

Links shared during this meeting:

Choose Children

- Choose Children candidate forum recordings available here [\(CLICK HERE\)](#)
- Link to press release with survey information [\(CLICK HERE\)](#)

UPK SMCOE

- Universal Prekindergarten (UPK) SMCOE Plan [\(CLICK HERE\)](#)
- Universal Prekindergarten (UPK) SMCOE Feedback Survey [\(CLICK HERE\)](#)
- Directory of Licensed Preschools and Afterschool Programs in San Mateo County [\(CLICK HERE\)](#)