

San Mateo County Child Care Partnership Council
Leadership and Impact Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday May 17, 9:00am
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

CCPC Members Present: Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, David Fleishman, Heather Hopkins, Jennifer Pifeleti, Guillermo Vasquez

Members of the Public: Diana Harlick, Randy Torrijos

Minutes: Julie Cates

1. Call to Order

Michelle Blakely called the meeting to order at 9:02am.

2. Approval of Leadership-Impact Committee Meeting Minutes from March 15, April 9, and April 19, 2021

- Moved by: Julie Cates Seconded by Heather Hopkins
- Vote: All voted in Favor

3. Legislation Tracking

Legislation Tracker:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1q5RlccN2cszVeSjgVEGiCOa4nylBnHTyo5h9db23lyg/edit?usp=sharing>

CCPC Supports:

- AB 92 (Reyes) Preschool and childcare and development services: family fees
- AB 123 (Gonzalez) Paid family leave: weekly benefit amount.
- AB 568 (Rivas) Early Learning and Care
- AB 1073 (Berman) Community colleges: students enrolled in early childhood education or child development courses: fee waivers.
- AB 1112 (Carrillo) Before and after school programs: maximum grant amounts.
- AB 1117 (Wicks) Pupil support services: Healthy Start: Toxic Stress and Trauma Resiliency for Children Program.
- AB 1294 (Quirk) Childcare: individualized county childcare subsidy plans
- AB 1345 (Wicks) Emergency services: licensed childcare providers
- AB 1361 (Luz Rivas) Childcare: dual language learners
- SB 50 (Limon) Early Learning and Care
- SB 246 (Leyva) Early childhood education: reimbursement rates

CCPC is Watching:

- AB 22 (McCarty) Childcare: preschool programs and transitional kindergarten: enrollment.
- AB 99 (Irwin) Statewide longitudinal data system: California Cradle-to-Career Data System: governance and support
- AB 321 (Vallardes) Childcare services: eligibility.
- AB 865 (Quirk-Silva) Childcare services: alternative payment programs: direct deposits: reserve funds.
- SB 328 (Portantino) Local educational agencies: before and after school programs: middle school and high school start time.

Most of the bills we support are being heard this week by the Assembly or Senate Appropriations Committees. We recommend that our CCPC Coordinator, Sarah Kinahan, consider resending our CCPC support letters to the members of the respective Appropriation Committee Chair.

4. Next Steps with Governor's May Revise Budget

Michelle provided highlights of the Governor's May Revise proposed budget for 2021-22. The budget includes revenue increase of \$75B. The state is also set to receive \$25B from the Federal programs. Transitional Kindergarten is to be expanded by 250K students over multiple years. There is funding for 100,000 additional child care slots and children's behavioral health. Our discussion pointed out that the budget does not address reimbursement rates which have been a challenge for maintaining the child care workforce. It does not provide requested funding to expand paid family leave.

6. Discuss Emerging Hot Topics

Michelle suggested that the Committee maintain a list of "hot topics" to elevate for increased awareness, discussion and possible advocacy. Michelle will work with Sarah Kinahan to set up a shared site where CCPC members may add topics and discussion. The Hot Topics list will be reviewed before each Committee meeting. "Hot Topics" raised in the Committee include: CDC issued new guidance on May 13th regarding mask wearing and vaccinations; San Francisco's support of universal preschool; How our local organizations and providers may apply for federal and state grant funding; Changes to children's mental and behavioral health support – availability of screenings and follow-up visits. The CCPC will begin their county-based child care needs assessment report this fall. That is an opportunity to perform a survey of providers to determine if they are benefitting from the new funding and system changes legislated this year.

7. Adjournment

Michelle Blakely adjourned the meeting was adjourned at 10:16am.