



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

**Monday, May 17, 2021  
Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

**CCPC Members Present:** Karen Alden (late), Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Karen Haas-Foletta, Elizabeth Foster, Heather Hopkins, Christine Padilla, Jenifer Pifeleti, Sarah Poulain (late), Jennifer Rogers, Elizabeth Scully, Christine Thorsteinson, Guillermo Vasquez, Lisa Zimiga

**CCPC Members Absent:** Diana Alcazar-Lopez, Karen Lau, Cheryl Oku, Lucy Paz Alegria

**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. County Superintendent Nancy Magee called the meeting to order at 10:31 a.m.

**2. Action to Set Agenda for May 17, 2021, and to Approve the Minutes for March 15, 2021**

MOTION: FLEISHMAN/ SECOND: PADILLA

AYES (ROLL CALL VOTE): Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Elizabeth Foster, Karen Haas-Foletta, Heather Hopkins, Superintendent Nancy Magee, Christine Padilla, Jenifer Pifeleti, Supervisor Dave Pine, Sarah Poulain, Jennifer Rogers, Elizabeth Scully, Christine Thorsteinson, Guillermo Vasquez, Lisa Zimiga

NOES: NONE.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

MOTION APPROVED.

**3. Public Comment**

Heather Cleary reminded the CCPC that Peninsula Family Service provides a free vaccine taxi program for early care providers in San Mateo County. They have availability and would like to serve more people.

**4. Action to Approve the CCPC Meeting Dates for 2021-2022**

MOTION: ALDEN/ 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, Christine Padilla, Jenifer Pifeleti, Supervisor Dave Pine, Sarah Poulain, Jennifer Rogers, Elizabeth Scully, Christine Thorsteinson, Guillermo Vasquez, Lisa Zimiga

NOES: NONE.

ABSTAIN: NONE.

MOTION APPROVED.

**5. Coordinator's Report**

Sarah Kinahan reviewed highlights from the Coordinator's report included as Attachment #2 in the May 17, 2021 meeting packet.

## 6. SVCF Early Childhood Development Strategy Overview

Christine Thorsteinson, the Director of Early Childhood Development at the Silicon Valley Community Foundation, presented SVCF's Early Childhood Development Strategy Overview.

Children are born learning, and the care and education they receive in their first years of life are the building blocks to future success in the classroom, in the workforce, and in life. The vision of SVCF is to ensure all children in Silicon Valley have equitable access (affordable, available, viable) to high-quality early care and education. Their strategy includes Catalyzing Investment, Activating Leadership, and Supporting Action & Learning.

## 7. Review of ECE Legislation and Funding for 2021-22

Sarah Kinahan provided a review of ECE funding, including the Governor's May Revise and Biden's proposals, and the proposed legislation related to the state's Master Plan.

### Expanding Access to Preschool and Child Care – Federal Level Legislation

- The American Rescue Plan:
  - Provides additional funding for the Child Care and Development Block Grant to provide child care assistance to families and support for providers (approximately \$1.5 billion for CA)
  - Creates a Child Care Stabilization Fund (approximately \$2.3 billion for CA)
  - Provides Tax credits for families
  - Allocates \$1 billion for Head Start in CA
- President Biden's American Families Plan (Proposal):
  - Provides Universal Preschool for all 3- and 4-year old's
  - Creates a Cap on the amount families pay for child care at 7% of family income
  - Includes a call to invest in quality child care
  - Includes a call for investment in the workforce
  - Establish a national paid family and medical leave program
  - Extends tax credits for families that were in the American and Rescue Plan
- President Biden's American Jobs Plan (Proposal):
  - Includes \$25 billion to upgrade facilities and increase supply
  - Incorporates a tax credit for employers who build on-site child care
- Child Care for Working Families Act (Proposal):
  - Introduced in both the house (HR2817) and Senate (S1360) that mirrors initiatives of the families plan
    - Creates a Cap on the amount families pay for child care at 7% of family income
    - Includes a call for investment in the workforce
    - Includes investment in child care options
    - Includes a call for Universal Preschool for all 3- and 4-year old's
    - If fully implemented, cost of proposal has been estimated at \$600 billion over ten years.

### Master Plan and Proposed Legislation

#### Goal 1 Programs

- Strategies
  - Infant and Toddler Care
    - SB 50 (Limon) – Early Learning and Care
  - Universal Preschool
    - AB 22 (McCarty) – Preschool and TK

- Paid Family Leave
  - AB 123 (Gonzalez) – Paid Family Leave
- Equitable Treatment to Children
  - AB 1361 (Blanca Rubio) – Expulsion, suspension, and mental health

**Goal 2 Workforce**

- Strategies
  - Career Pathways
    - AB 1073 (Berman) – Fee Waivers for ECE

**Goal 3 Funding**

- Strategies
  - Sliding Scale Fee
    - AB 92 (Reyes) – Family Fees
  - Reimbursement Rate
    - SB 246 (Leyva) – Reimbursement Rates

**Goal 4 Governance and Administration**

- Strategies
  - Integrated Data System
    - AB 92 (Reyes) – Family Fees
    - AB 99 (Irwin) – Cradle-to-Career Data System
  - Data Use
    - AB 568 (Rivas) – Data Dashboard
    - AB 1363 (Rivas) – Dual Language Learners
  - Facilities
    - AB 75 (O'Donnell) & SB 22 (Glazer) – School Facilities Bonds

Highlights of Governor's May Revise Budget

The State is projecting a \$75.7 billion surplus + \$25 billion in federal relief

The May Revise includes the following for PreK-12 (<http://www.ebudget.ca.gov/2021-22/pdf/Revised/BudgetSummary/K-12Education.pdf>):

- Implementation of Universal transitional kindergarten by 2024-25
- \$250 million in 2021-22 budget for planning & implementation grants to LEAs
- Starting in 2022-23, the addition of one classified or certificated staff to TK classrooms
- \$10 million to update Preschool Learning Foundations
- Maintaining the current level of CSPP funding & developing a plan to support CSPP providers in transitioning to serving younger students (to be implemented in 2022-23)
- Year-round access to before/after school & summer in low-income communities by 2025-26 (similar to existing ASES program)

The May Revise includes the following under Health & Human Services (<http://www.ebudget.ca.gov/2021-22/pdf/Revised/BudgetSummary/HealthandHumanServices.pdf>):

- An Additional 100,000 child care slots
- \$250 million for child care facilities
- A one-time stipend to providers based on licensed capacity (\$3,500 – \$6,500)
- A third round of per-child stipends to subsidized providers
- Family fee waivers for eligible families July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022
- Continued hold harmless for direct contracted & providers paid through

## 8. Committees' Reports

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

Heather Cleary shared that the Workforce Committee discussed the proposal for Universal Transitional Kindergarten and the impact that it will have on the workforce. The Committee expressed concerns over teachers possibly leaving to become paraeducators and the need to shift professional development offerings from 0-5 to 0-4, and with that, dedicate attention to wrap-around care. The Committee suggested using recovery funds to invest in career development personnel for the workforce who would focus on the recruitment of the workforce, case management, and securing employment prospects.

Christine Padilla shared that the Access Committee discussed equitable access in the community, children with special needs, and transportation issues. This conversation included a discussion on mapping, facilities, transportation (shuttles, busses), and open programs (location, demand, capacities). The Access Committee is also looking forward to working in collaboration with the Quality Committee soon.

The Quality Committee is excited to welcome Edirle Menezes as a Co-Chair. Edirle and Mary Browning shared that the Committee reviewed the Expansion of Quality Counts San Mateo, the Inclusion Specialization pilot, how to bring it to scale with programs next year, and the DLL Specialization and the DLL Support tool (<https://dllsupports.org/>) that will be piloted this coming year.

Michelle Blakely shared that the Leadership and Impact Committee discussed the legislation tracker, legislative support letters, and the May Revise. The Committee also discussed the health of our children, continuous medical eligibility, and other emerging hot topics related to public policy. The Committee would like to dive deeper into early childhood mental health consultation, benefits for immigrant mothers on Medi-Cal, and integrated systems supporting children from birth through third grade. There will be a presentation on the CCPC Communications Plan at our next meeting. Michelle also recognized that Kaiser, in partnership with 4Cs and First 5, has been having community events on vaccine information addressing vaccine hesitancy.

For Committee Agenda and Meeting Minutes, please visit: <https://www.smcoe.org/about/child-care-partnership-council/agendas-and-minutes.html>

## 9. Adjournment

County Superintendent Nancy Magee adjourned the meeting at 11:46 a.m.

**The next meeting will be held on September 20, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.**