MEETING AGENDA

Monday, June 21, 2021, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Meeting will be conducted via Teleconference Only

Website Link: https://smcoe.zoom.us/j/92680754515?pwd=S2ZYNlY1STd3cnhFOGdFR0Z3cGpQUT09

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Call to Order
Superintendent Magee

Action to Set Agenda for June 21, 2021 Meeting and Approval of Minutes for May 17, 2021 Meeting
ATTACHMENT 1 - Minutes
ACTION

Superintendent Magee

Public Comment*
Superintendent Magee

Coordinator’s Report
ATTACHMENT 2 – Coordinator’s Report
Sarah Kinahan

Quality Counts Updates
Edirle Menezes

CCPC Communications Materials
Heather Hopkins

CCPC Strategic Plan

Share Out from Round Table with Rep. Speier
Michelle Blakely/David Fleishman

Committees’ Reports: Reflect on how CCPC Strategic Plan can be adapted to respond to Rep. Speier

- Workforce
  Heather Cleary
- Access
  Christine Padilla
- Quality
  Mary Browning
- Leadership and Impact
  Michelle Blakely

Adjournment
Superintendent Magee

The next CCPC meeting is Monday, September 20, 2021, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

* Public Comment: This item is reserved for persons wishing to address the Council on any Council-related matters that are as follows: 1) Not otherwise on this meeting agenda; 2) Coordinator’s Report on the Regular Agenda; or 3) Committee Members’ Reports on the Regular Agenda. Public comments on matters not listed above shall be heard.
at the time the matter is called.

Persons wishing to address a particular agenda item should speak during that agenda item. If you wish to speak to the Council, please use the “Chat” or “Raise Your Hand” feature to be called on to provide comment. If you have anything that you wish to be distributed to the Council and included in the official record, please email it to Ian Johnson, ijohnson@smcoe.org, who will distribute the information to the Council Members and staff. Speakers are customarily limited to two minutes, but an extension may be provided to you at the discretion of the Council Co-Chairs.

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CCPC Calendar of Meetings for 2020-2021

Monday, September 28, 2020 — 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday, November 16, 2020 — 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday, January 11, 2021 — 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday, March 15, 2021 — 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday, May 17, 2021 — 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday, June 21, 2021 — 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

CCPC Committees meet from 9:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m., prior to the Council meeting. Committee meeting agendas and minutes are posted on the Council website, https://www.smcoe.org/about/child-care-partnership-council/.

Location: 101 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood City 94065 or via Zoom Meeting
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

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

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
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.
This report summarizes recent activities of CCPC staff and developments in the field.

COVID-19

State’s June 15th Re-Opening:
- The California Department of Social Services is “actively working” on updated “Industry Guidance for Child Care” to align with the state’s reopening. Once this guidance has been published, the CCPC Coordinator will share with the CCPC email list.
- On June 11, the Governor took action to lift his pandemic-related executive orders in EO N-08-21. The suspension of various Brown Act provisions will end on September 30, 2021. This means the CCPC will need to provide a physical location for meetings after September 30.

American Rescue Plan’s expanded Child Tax Credit:
- ARPA expanded the Child Tax Credit (CTC) for tax year 2021. Individuals eligible for a 2021 CTC will receive advance payments of the credit starting in July. The First 5 Association of CA has developed a wealth of outreach materials, available at https://first5association.org/calEITC/, to educate families about the new tax credit which has the potential to lift thousands of families out of poverty.

State Budget

- Both houses of the state legislature passed a budget, AB/SB 128, in advance of the constitutional June 15th deadline. An overview can be found here. Some key child care and early education investments in the package include:
  o Rate Reform: Updating the Regional Market Rate (RMR) to the 85th percentile of the 2018 RMR Survey effective January 1, 2022 and aligning the Standard Reimbursement Rate (SRR) to the 85th percentile of the 2018 RMR survey effective January 1, 2022. Also, increases the ASES daily rate to $10.75.
  o Adopts a 4.05% COLA for ECE programs and ASES programs.
  o Family Fees: Caps family fees for all child care programs at 7% of income and increases family eligibility to the extent allowable under federal funding. It is the intent of the legislature to waive family fees through budget trailer bill language.
  o Increased Child Care Access and TK Expansion:
    ▪ Increases child care access by 206,500 slots in Alternative Payment, General Child Care, CBO-based CSPP, Migrant Child Care, and bridge program for foster children;
    ▪ Prioritizes ongoing vouchers for essential workers currently receiving short-term child care;
    ▪ Includes $300 million to increase slots for LEA based CSPP;
    ▪ Creates an Expanded Learning LCFF add-on for school districts;
    ▪ Creates Universal TK by 2026.
      - $200 million in planning grants for expansion of preschool, TK, and K programs.
  o $300 million for preparation of preschool, TK, and K teachers (core topics = inclusion, English language learners, social-emotional, trauma-informed, mitigating implicit bias).
  o Key One-time Investments: Provides a variety of one-time investments to stabilize providers, including stipends and hold harmless policies. Makes additional investments in
child care facilities ($500 million for school districts for facilities for CSPP, TK, and K, $250 million one-time General Fund for child care facilities, including reopening costs, and $205 million one-time federal stimulus funds for an intermediary agency to provide technical assistance) and the early care and education workforce ($250 million one-time federal stimulus funds). $500 million for Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program.

- **Ratifies Child Care Providers United contract**: provider stipends, paid non-operative days, pandemic flexibilities, hold harmless, mental health supports and provider recruitment.

- Negotiations between legislative leadership and Governor continue, and this budget is largely seen as a placeholder until final agreements are met. Many budget details will be decided through budget trailer bills, which will be passed after the budget. This means the full budget process could take several more weeks until we have full insight on the FY 2021-22 budget. CCPC submitted a letter to the Governor with our budget requests on June 17.

**Workforce Pathways Grant**

- This year, the CCPC/SMCOE issued stipends to 195 early learning and care teachers who completed either professional development or college coursework. To receive a stipend, teachers needed to work a minimum of 15 hours/week with children in an early learning and care program that meets one of the following criteria: 1) participates in Quality Counts San Mateo, 2) contracts with the California Department of Education to provide State Preschool and/or General Child Care, or 3) accepts 4Cs child care subsidy vouchers. The average stipend amount was $984, and amounts ranged from $150 to $2,127. 80% of the funding for stipends comes from CDE’s Workforce Pathways Grant, with additional funds being provided by the QCC QRIS, QCC IMPACT, and Inclusive Early Education Expansion Program grants. 80 teachers took college coursework and 115 completed professional development. CCPC/SMCOE had the opportunity to renew the Workforce Pathways Grant for 2021-22 with the same allocation as this year. Over the summer, participants in the program will be surveyed to understand their experiences and participant data will be analyzed to make program improvements for 2021-22.