

San Mateo County Child Care Partnership Council
Leadership and Impact Committee
Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 13, 2022
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

CCPC Members Present: Michelle Blakely, David Fleishman, Heather Cleary, Karen Alden, Guillermo Vasquez, Christine Thorsteinson, Christine Padilla, Julie Cates

Members of the Public: Kristen Anderson, Diana Harlick, Randy Torrijos, Mel Kronick

Staff/Minutes: Veronica Pantoja

1. Call to Order

Michelle Blakely called the meeting to order at 2:04pm

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’s Leadership and Impact Committee would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees (Attachments #1A and #1B)

MOTION: Fleishman / SECOND: Thorsteinson

AYES: Karen Alden, Kristen Anderson, Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Diana Harlick, Mel Kronick, Christine Padilla, Christine Thorsteinson, Randy Torrijos, Guillermo Vasquez

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

3. Approval of Leadership-Impact Committee Meeting Minutes from March 14, 2022, and Agenda for June 13, 2022 Meeting

MOTION: Cleary / SECOND: Fleishman

AYES: Karen Alden, Kristen Anderson, Michelle Blakely, Julie Cates, Heather Cleary, David Fleishman, Diana Harlick, Mel Kronick, Christine Padilla, Christine Thorsteinson, Randy Torrijos, Guillermo Vasquez

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

4. Leadership and Impact Committee Updates and Check-in (Michelle Blakely)

Michelle Blakely welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked people to introduce themselves.

5. Housing Elements Letter (Michelle Blakely)

Michelle Blakely led the group in a discussion concerning the Housing Elements advocacy Letter. Housing elements are one of several required elements of a city or county’s General plan. The housing element is the only element that is mandated to be updated every 8 years on a specific schedule. Currently, all the Bay Area cities and counties are working on their housing elements, which are due by the end of January. Bay Area cities and counties are conducting public meetings and study sessions that planning commissions or city councils will utilize for the approval of housing elements before they are submitted to the state. CCPC and Build Up have drafted

recommendations for the inclusion of policies that encourage and fuel the development of childcare that is convenient to families, and address family childcare issues related to housing. The drafted document is a list of different policy statements and ideas we would like to advocate for. The group reviewed the letter and provided suggestions.

6. Review Legislation Tracker

Michelle Blakely walked the group through a discussion of the status of the bills listed on the Legislation Tracker so that the group can be coordinated in advocacy efforts.

7. State Budget Check-In (Michelle Blakely)

Michelle Blakely guided the group and reviewed the Governor's proposed State Budget. The group talked about the need to continue to advocate for funding to stabilize the child care system after the pandemic, and to support the workforce.

8. Hot Topics

- Concerns about communication and unification among leadership in the Family Child Care field
 - Liz Scully recently started a new organization for family child care; she invited a speaker to one of their virtual meetings, and then discovered the same speaker was speaking at another family child care meeting in our county.
 - The group agreed that it is important for resources to be identified and shared, and that the information is accessible, and efforts are not duplicated.
 - David Fleishman shared some background and identified resources, information, and supports currently available to Family Child Care, and provided some context on the leadership in the Family Child Care field.
 - A deeper conversation on leadership in the Family Child Care field will be agendaized in a future meeting.

9. Adjournment

Michelle Blakely adjourned the meeting at 3:10pm