



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

September 19, 2022

101 Twin Dolphin Drive, Redwood City, CA, 94070

CCPC Members Present: Elizabeth Foster (late), Karen Pace, Christine Thorsteinson

Members of the Public: Kristen Anderson (via Zoom)

CCPC Staff/Minutes: Sarah Kinahan/Ian Johnson

1. Call to Order

Karen Pace

Karen Pace called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m.

2. Action to set the agenda for September 19, 2022, and Approval of the Minutes for the March 21, 2022, meeting

Karen Pace

MOTION: PACE / SECOND: THORSTEINSON
AYES: Unanimous
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE

3. Welcome, Introductions and Check-in

Karen Pace

Christine Padilla is not feeling well and asked Karen to chair this meeting. Karen welcomed everyone to the meeting.

4. Overview of the 22-23 State Budget and Legislation

Sarah Kinahan

Sarah provided an overview of the 2022-23 State Budget and Legislation that would impact child care and preschool access.

The budget includes funding for 36,000 new slots in General Child Care (CCTR contracts) and the Alternative Payment Program. Karen shared that All Five received new CCTR funding for infant/toddler slots. Sarah shared that SMCOE also received new CCTR funding. The group would like an update from 4Cs on the expansion of the AP program – how many children of different ages are they now serving and how long is their eligibility list?

The Governor vetoed AB 92 (Reyes) which would have capped family fees at 1% of family income and waived fees for families with incomes below 75% state median income. The Governor vetoed because of the cost of the change and stated it should be resolved through the state budget process.

The group talked about the need for federal legislation to regionalize the income eligibility for Head Start because the income cutoff is not in line with incomes in San Mateo County. For example, the income eligibility for federal housing support uses a higher income eligibility in the county; The Big Lift aligns with this income scale for their program eligibility.



5. Discussion: TK Expansion and Impact on Community-based Programs

Karen Pace

Karen Pace led a discussion on TK Expansion and the impact on Impact on Community-based Programs.

- The group discussed the impact of transitioning to school district care and the fluctuating enrollment of formerly full programs. Losing children and refilling slots is both time consuming and affecting staff morale. While larger programs may be able to easily absorb and bounce back, smaller programs may struggle with enrollment.
- The committee expressed concern for the parent/family experience in transitioning to part-day TK and their experience, usage, and availability of aftercare/wrap around care.
- The group discussed the availability of wraparound care funding and the usage of funds that are supposed to be allocated to LPCs in the near future, as indicated in the state budget; and questioned what guidance and restrictions will be applicable to unlicensed afterschool/wraparound care.

6. Hot Topics & Possible Areas for Legislation

Karen Pace

- Access impacted by Head Start Income Eligibility cutoff
- Access impacted by the scarcity of Workforce
- Access impacted by the Veto of AB 92 Veto

7. Adjournment

Karen Pace

Karen adjourned the meeting at 10:15a.m.

**The next CCPC Access Committee meeting is
Monday, November 28, 2022, 9:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.**