



CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 10, 2022 1:30 – 3:30 pm

I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS

- E. Guerrero called the meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

II. AB 361 OVERVIEW BROWN ACT TELECONFERENCING/VIRTUAL MEETING REQUIREMENTS - READING AND APPROVAL OF AB 361 RESOLUTION

- D. Munoz reviewed the AB 361 teleconferencing meeting requirements
- E. Guerrero read the Resolution in full.
- D. Munoz asked if a member would like to motion to approve the Resolution as presented to the Council?
- Diane took member roll call and documented votes.

III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- E. Guerrero asked a member to move to accept the consent agenda items as presented. Motion made by J. Weed-Pomerantz and Second by Y. Brooks. All members were in favor with no abstentions.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- D. Munoz announced that Jim Marshall recently passed away. So in honor of Jim's dedication to the early care field in many capacities, the Council has set aside this time for anyone to share a story about Jim. He was one of the founding coordinators of the Local Child Care Planning Council in Santa Cruz County.
- Members shared their personal memories of Jim Marshall throughout the years.
- J. Gallagher Heil shared details about Jim Marshall's extraordinary life as an ECE instructor, musician, early educator, father and child care advocate. He was so loved by the children and families he and his wife Mary supported throughout the many years their family child care home – Children's Alley was operating.



- T. Pastor, Cabrillo College shared the Children’s Center has low enrollment and they are searching for early educators.

V. UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN (UPK) OVERVIEW, GUEST SPEAKER:
KATHY LATHROP, COE EDUCATION CONSULTANT

- E. Guerrero introduced Kathy Lathrop, COE Education Consultant/Liaison for UTK and UPK programs. K. Lathrop present an overview of the Universal Prekindergarten that will offer after school services for children enrolled in Universal Transitional Kindergarten. Many ECE stakeholders, early learning and care representatives requested details about program sustainability issues, workforce availability and collaborations with LEAs.

VI. GOVERNOR NEWSOM PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY GUEST
SPEAKER: ERIC SONNENFELD, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR - EARLY
CHILDHOOD EDUCATION, TULARE COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

- D. Munoz introduced Eric Sonnenfeld, Administrator and Public Policy expert from the Tulare County Office of Education.
- E. Sonnenfeld, presented an update on what was included and what was missing from the Governor’s proposed budget. Followed by Q&A session.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- D. Munoz asked if anyone would like to share information about an upcoming event, training or conference with the Council.
- No announcements were shared.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

- E. Guerrero officially close the meeting at 3:30 pm.

Our Mission is to present a unified voice for an early care and education system that meets the needs of all children and families in Santa Cruz County

Our Vision is that every child in Santa Cruz County has access to quality affordable early care education and after-school programs