



Subsidized Programs Consortium Meeting Notes Wednesday, November 3, 2021 9:00-11:00 am

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Facilitator: Diane Munoz (Childhood Advisory Council, Community Organizer)

Time	Item	Presenter/s
9:00	I. Welcome and Introductions: Additions to agenda	Diane
9:05	 II. Program Update WAFWC: is struggling with the hiring process. What do we do if folks don't want to get vaccinated? Feel like she's in the middle. Staff or volunteers – what policies and best practices? Is it legal to not hire someone if they don't have the vaccine? Short staffed She feels stretched, likes the admin stuff but the admin and short-staffed paperwork is stressful and parents are having a hard time with the six-day policy. Parents are mad and are pushing back at them. The have a plan in place and will stick to their policies. Happy staff have stayed and need to address staff stresses. LOSD: received a letter with no contact information on it. Cabrillo College: their wellness parent participation has supported them as a show and parents have reduced their pushing back. In the end it helped them and it deescalates things for them. Following weekly testing and check in are helping them. They shut down the center and you do what needs to be done to prevent the outbreak. Why the transition to CDSS? Senator Laird, the WHOLE Child model. CB: We are in a flexible time CDE ancillary services how children get services when not in school. Community partnerships for staff. We know that going to TK is not enough. There will be services when not 	All

	in school. This is a major undertaking, and will impact us if the	
	Pilot goes away. The certification will impact programs.	
	Fairgrounds is open with new leadership and has 5 kids enrolled	
	at Redwood Mt. later this month. CLASS ECRS for teachers will	
	coach other sites. Community Resiliency model, love and uses the	
	strategies everyday. CRM and webinars training are great. Head	
	Start will offer. DLL inclusion and trauma informed pieces are	
	important.	
	Cory and Inbal offer the CRM training. I'll reach out.	
	Encompass: at the end of the year staff had living communities,	
	with projects and strategies to incorporate into the mental health	
	process. To keep yourself in the OK zone. This is for everybody,	
	IEEEP could pay for this training sessions for IEEEP	
	11 centers open 5 Early Head Starts. Enrollment is not quite as	
	high, close to open another center in January, staffing permitted.	
	More positively moving forward. Having staffing issues, not many	
	applying. Site Sup position open and temporary staff. The	
	Guardian fingerprint takes a bit longer than usual. Using Child Plus	
	for child assessments, using Learning Genie for parent home activities. Parents frustrated with health policies, we are supporting	
	staff with families.	
	Did call state analyst, she was responsive – Nancy Armon, CDSS	
	analyst. Looking for a contract continuation question.	
	Question: ARPA funding and submitted for licensing surveys, is	
	there another ARPA survey from the state? No. Still have 5	
	classrooms not opened.	
	YWCA: still open, has 42 children on site and 3 on distance	
	learning. Able to maintain, in the afternoon because they have few	
	children. More staff meetings to keep up with the ongoing	
	changes, it's been effective and provides alternatives each month.	
	Revised the Food Program regulations with staff. An agency	
	calendar is in place among all staff – agency logistics and	
	scheduling are focused on each month. Families push back, they	
	speak with parent engagement staff, teaching staff and the YWCA	
	administration. Communication is key and working together to	
	maintain coordination. Work on Beach St center plans to open in	
	January.	
	Cabrillo College: Enrollment 24 children enrolled 13 part time	
	teachers – practicum classes – in person – have 5 paid interns	
	that will be launched to the child care community. Had two COVID	
	exposures and closed one classroom. Adult students – all must go	
	through the Expire testing system. Recruiting for student spring	
	semester – they have one CB employee that is completing	
	practicum hours. Finished ASQ assessments – conducted twice a	
	year, met with families and reviewed results in Oct. DRDP	
	conferences late Nov. Children bring their own lunches. They	
	provide snacks. Hy-bred family style, using 5 ounce pitchers for	
	children to use.	
	Big issue: Observation Lab is being requested by the community.	
	Not ready to offer this – don't have cleaners and systems to keep	
	clean.	
	Cabrillo applied for 5M facilities grant funding to the state,	
	\$500,000 for the children's center. They have support from the	
	administration.	
	Go Kids: Tracking all providers on the survey, in case they need	
	the data for the state.	
9:50	III. UTK Update	
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		Larry
10:05	 Jessica: Sarah Neville Morgan: Early care will be locked to providers wrap around and care for 0-3 children. CSPP is on life support. All the training for permitted teachers so they will move over to TK Tricia spoke to Debra – their division did not want this, it – a lot of this occurred because DSS wanted the money from child care. It's political. Larry: How many elementary schools have a classroom? Money to COE to help develop a plan. Faris, met with us hired a consultant, It's to support the school districts. They need the money. Staffing is going to be a problem, we don't have enough now. What income bracket are these families? Many families can't afford to pay child care fees. 	Larry
10.05		All
10:25	 V. Workforce & IEEEP Update WDP: There were 120 participants in the WDP program., 85 received stipends, 30 did not apply for stipends and 6 received reimbursement for completing ECE courses. 1. Sent out the WDP survey to all participants to collect data for annual progress reports to teachers. 2. Please help spread the word about the Higher Ed program that reimburses teachers enrolled in ECE courses for tuition, book and materials. 3. CLASS Observer Overview training will be held on Saturday, November 6th in English. IEEEP: Hosted the UDL training on Saturday, Oct. 30th 53 staff members registered and 53 teachers attended the training. Kevin created a Padlet to store materials, recordings and resources for staff and programs. There are two UDL trainings scheduled in the coming months – Dec. and Feb. 2022. QRIS CSPP Block Grant MOUs have been sent out to all programs. Some completed MOUs are being processed for payment. 	Diane
10:40	 VI. R & R and First 5 Update Vicki: grant update from the Block grant funding stream in the umbrella – the grants are available for infant toddler programs only – goes beyond IT only. Vision first screening cameras training put this on hold and wondering when to integrate this into programs? Working with Monterey Vision for All materials will be coming to programs. RFR for family child care programs in QCC. Meghan: No official rating check in setting up appt.to update your programs. 1 hour visits and will share rating sheets. To be completed in Dec. 	Meghan Vicki

		Irene: excited to inform everyone the basic SEEDS class is starting soon. Will make them eligible for the Diving Deeper Class. Nov. $16^{th} 5:30 - 8"30$ pm every other week. Please refer staff to Irene.	
10:50	VII.	Announcements	All
11:00	VIII.	Adjourn	All

Next meetings: SPC mtg. Wednesday, December 1, 2021 (the first Wednesday of every month).