



**The Santa Cruz County Child Care Planning Council**  
**El Consejo de Planeación de Cuidado Infantil del Condado de Santa Cruz**  
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**Subsidized Programs Consortium Minutes**  
**Wednesday, August 7, 2013, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.**  
**Community Foundation Santa Cruz County, 7087 Soquel Dr. Aptos**

**Consortium Co-Chairs:** Lisa Hindman Holbert (Community Bridges) and Karen Hamman (PVUSD)

**Members in Attendance:** Elaine Henning (Voucher Project), Jessica Kranz (Go Kids), Kathy Lathrop (Cal SAFE and PVUSD), Cathy Lusk (WAWC), Leticia Mendoza (YWCA), Sita Moon (Child Development Resource Center), Lee Ann O'Connell (UCSC), and Jerri Winner (CDFP).

**Absent Members:** Larry Drury (Go Kids), Sohyla Fathi (UCSC), Tricia Pastor Cross (Live Oak Child Development), Meghan Reilly (SCCCC), Stacey Reynolds (Pacific Elementary), Lorisa Ronquillo (Watsonville Community School), and Blanca Sanchez (Watsonville Community School).

**Facilitated by:** Diane Oyler (Child Care Planning Council, Coordinator).

**I. Welcome and Introductions. Additions to Agenda**

- No additions were made to the agenda.
- K. Hamman agreed to Co-Chair this committee.
- Guest speaker from Side by Side canceled her presentation, but has agreed to present at another date.

**II. Program Updates/Announcements**

**YWCA**

- Currently has enough State funding to serve 64 children. They are completely full and have a wait list.
- Second St. Child Care Center has the license capacity to serve 96 children. YWCA will serve additional 32 children once they have the funding to pay for more children.
- The YWCA applied for State Child Care Restoration funding to serve additional 16 children.
- Will apply for Campus Kids Connection relinquished funding. This will allow us to serve an additional 16 children. We will then be at full licensed capacity.
- The preschool staff has benefited from Teaching Pyramid trainings and mentoring from coaches. The improvements in the quality of care they provide are noticeable in the classrooms.

**CFDP**

- Sad news: CFDP staff member passed away, Angela Albanety
- Starlight State preschool is not fully enrolled yet. Low income families cannot afford to pay family fees, so they are pulling their children out of preschool.
- Applied for State Child Care Restoration funding to serve additional children.

#### Go Kids

- We are completely enrolled in every program we administer throughout the four counties.
- Go Kids applied for State Child Care Restoration funds to serve more children in other counties. The first year of family fees hit our agency hard, but this year parents are ok with paying the family fee.

#### UCSC

- Sohyla working on feasibility plan to open a Family Resource Center and to reopen the Granary Child Care Center.
- Did not apply for State Child Care Restoration funding.

#### Voucher

- Making staff changes, some full time staff will be moving to part time work schedules. Our agency received a bit more money due to new dissolution of regional PACE APP agency. Our agency will receive approximately \$187,000, which is enough funding to serve 13 children in our county.

#### PVUSD

- We are rapidly enrolling children for the new school year.
- Enrollment clerk has been on leave which has slowed down enrollment process a bit.
- We applied for State Child Care Restoration funding to serve additional children.

#### Community Bridges

- Community Bridges has officially acquired Highlands Park Child Development Center. C. B. will host an open house in the coming months.
- The program has maintained the infant and preschool license.
- The main focus will be on increasing enrollment.
- We recently hired a Site Supervisor who is from the Valley.
- Cathy Cavanaugh will act as interim Exec. Director for Community Bridges until a permanent E.D is hired in the coming months.
- Currently enrolling children at Sycamore Center. The Fairgrounds Center is fully enrolled.
- Redwood Mt. State Preschool has been impacted by family fee. Families can't pay the fees and are pulling children from the center.

### III. **AB212**

D. Oyler presented an overview of the 2012-2013 AB212 program. There were 88.5 hours of professional development that was attended by 705 staff members throughout the year. Thirty eight educational awards were issued to qualified state funded staff members. Additionally, many AB212 attendees' received a stipend from First 5, Race to the Top program for attending the Teaching Pyramid trainings.

- D. Oyler facilitated an AB212 professional development input session to collect training recommendations for the 2013-2014 year. The Advisory Committee suggested the following activities:
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- Offer ongoing trainings to support Teaching Pyramid program implementation, using the professional learning community (PLC) format.
- Coordinate a Teaching Pyramid Leadership training to connect mental health agencies to the ECE community with the goal of developing strategies to sustain new relationships between the two communities.
- Host CPIN Preschool Learning Foundations Vol. 3 Overview training.
- Host CPIN PLF Vol. 1 & 2 Overview training---if needed to support Race To Top project.
- Coordinate two DRDP trainings on observation and supportive curriculum strategies.
- D. Oyler asked administrators if they would be willing to pay a nominal registration fee for each staff member. Members agreed, D. Oyler will calculate amount and will report to members at next months meeting.
- D. Oyler and J. Winner reported the Teaching Pyramid Make n Take will be held on Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. at Child Family Development Program, Watsonville.

**IV. Announcements**

- No announcements.

**V. Adjournment**

- Meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday, September 4, 2013, at First 5 Santa Cruz County, located at 4450 Capitola Rd. Capitola.

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