

**YOLO CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL  
MINUTES  
November 4, 2008**

**Members Present:**

Christina Flores  
Laura Ivans  
Ed Lewis  
Patricia Martinez  
Regan Overholt  
Sonja Tollefsen  
Melinda Waring

**Members Absent:**

Tamiko Kwak  
Armida Kaun  
John Hillis  
Barbara Ashby  
Sue Lomax  
Nancy Mack  
Oralia Rodriguez

**YCOE:**

Gail Nadal, Coordinator

**Guest:**

Amelia Abonce, YCOE Head Start

**1. Call to order and Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by L. Ivans at 2:15 p.m. at the Yolo County Office of Education. L. Ivans thanked B. Ashby for filling in for her at our last meeting.

**A. Introductions of Members and Guests**

Members and guests introduced themselves.

**B. Ice Breaker**

G. Nadal had prepared an icebreaker called "Thanksgiving Wish".

**2. Public Comment:**

No information was offered.

**3. Consent Calendar:**

L. Ivans noted that the meeting lacked a quorum; thus action for the items on the consent calendar was postponed until the next meeting.

**4. LPC Personnel Update:**

G. Nadal announced she had 18 people apply this time. On Thursday G. Nadal and L. Ivans will interview 7 that are highly qualified on paper. They added a computer task to the interview process.

**5. AB212 Mini-grant Meetings and Updates:**

1. G. Nadal shared she conducted the AB212 mini-grant orientation on October 29, 2008. Seven out of ten interested agencies came to the meeting. Some were concerned about the timeline to turn it in and requested an extension. After discussion by those in attendance the consensus was to

keep the same deadline. G. Nadal will e-mail our members that were absent to get their input.

2. She also shared with the agencies about the change in the AB212 stipends and asked them to take this information to their staff.

6. **All About Us Together...Moving to Inclusion Project:**

G. Nadal shared West Ed is once again putting together this project involving Special Education students. Yolo County has not participated for the last three years. Now we have a team of nine people representing the Resource and Referral Office, Head Start, Woodland Joint Unified School District, and the LPC. The cost is \$80 plus an overnight trip to San Francisco. S. Tollefsen is interested in participating. It entails 3 local site visits after the SF conference. Our LPC committee will then incorporate the strategies in a Work Force Development Committee training. We will look into whether the LPC can pay for the registration for non LPC members as well as the Head Start parent that is interested. Another e-mail will be sent to members regarding this.

7. **December Cookie Exchange:**

L. Ivans reminded everyone that our next meeting on December 9, 2008 is our annual holiday cookie exchange. It will include a light business meeting without committee work that day. Members are encouraged to bring 3 dozen cookies to share.

8. **YCEL Update:**

L. Ivans is working with West Sacramento because their programs are not filled. Woodland is finding that families that have to pay a small amount are opting out. She gave us a handout showing the children on a waiting list. The State has talked about increasing the parent fees for the last 3 years. L. Ivans will continue to hold quarterly meetings. Head Start is involved with YCEL (although it is optional for them). Many Parents are looking for work during these hard times.

9. **Week of the Young Child:**

L. Ivans announced that S. Tollefsen is unable to continue as the member at large for Week of the Young Child. We need a member to step forward to take over this position, or we could have each committee take on one activity for this event. A guest in attendance at our October meeting, Robin Sweeney, is interested in volunteering to work on an activity. We looked over the list we brainstormed at our last meeting and come up with more suggestions. M. Waring suggested we collect children's art and mount the art during an LPC meeting. Gail mentioned she has a lot of matting. We had a placemat idea for restaurants to use during that week. One year we gave out goodies to family child care providers.

10. **Meeting with California Department of Education Child Development Division consultant set:**

**G. Nadal announced our CDE Child Development consultant Alice Trathen will be at YCOE on Monday, November 24, 2008, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. to provide technical assistance and to answer any questions we may have regarding Yolo County's upcoming CPM/CMR review. There are new eligibility requirements that have been put into effect as of October 1, 2008 that everyone needs to abide by for this review. We will provide lunch for everyone in attendance.**

**11. Council Member/Program Updates:**

- 1. M. Waring shared save the date postcards for a UCD Extension Child Mental Health Seminar Series: Circle of Security Training. The cost is \$185 for two days. It is a training based on attachment theory and it's intended target audience is for those working in the field as well as those in nursing and pediatrics. It will fill up soon and is limited to 180 participants.**
- 2. L Ivans announced as of Dec. 1, 2008 the Davis Child Care Services are cutting their service hours to 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. Their referral hours and toy closet hours will be from 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.**
- 3. S. Tollefsen, who previously attended the Program for Infant Toddler Care Director Seminar, is going to attend the December 2-3 refresher course in San Luis Obispo and would like to carpool with someone.**
- 4. G. Nadal shared Head Start is hosting the Resources for Infant Educators Training where 15 teachers are participating. The participants are getting a lot out of the training and it is exciting to see the commitment the teachers have made.**

**12. Next LPC Meeting: Tuesday, December 9, 2008**

**13. Sub-committee Work: due to limited members in attendance, not all committees were able to meet.**

**14. Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m. to work with our sub-committees**