

**YOLO CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL
MINUTES
March 2, 2010**

Members Present:

Lynn Arner
Barbara Ashby
Christina Flores
John Hillis
Laura Ivans
Justine Jimenez
Armida Kaun
Ed Lewis
Sue Lomax
Oralia Rodriguez

Members Absent:

Kerry Koerwitz
Nancy Mack
Regan Overholt
Dotty Prichard Huber
Melinda Waring

YCOE:

Rebecca Foster, Grant Specialist
Gail Nadal, Coordinator

Guest(s):

Tiffany Davidson, Yolo County YMCA

1. Call to order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order by L. Ivans at 2:00 p.m.

A. Introductions of members and guests.

2. Public Comment:

A. No information was offered.

3. Consent Calendar:

A. Action: Approval of March 2, 2010 Agenda: MSN (C. Flores, J. Hillis – Unanimous)

B. Action: Approval of February 2, 2010 Minutes: MSN (J. Jimenez, S. Lomax – Unanimous)

4. “Infants, Toddlers, and Caregiving” Workshop:

A. G. Nadal shared that on February 27th, several LPC members assisted with the registration at the Janet Gonzalez-Mena Workshop at Rudolf Steiner College. This event was co-sponsored by the LPC, Sacramento Valley AEYC, Steiner College, and the Sacramento RIE group.

5. Transition to Kindergarten Summit:

A. C. Flores reported that there were 114 participants at the 4th Annual Transition to Kindergarten Summit on February 24, 2010. The keynote speaker was Dr. Martha Burns, Director, Clinical Specialist of Scientific Learning Corporation.

- B. G. Nadal shared that she will attend a Brain Fitness workshop hosted by the Scientific Learning Corporation on March 3, 2010 to learn about the products they offer.

6. Child Development Conference:

- A. L. Ivans shared the topics of the three LPC sponsored special needs workshops at the Child Development Conference: (1) Talking with Parents When You Have Concerns About a Child in Your Care; (2) Sensory Processing Disorder: Red Flags and Sensory Strategies for the Classroom; and (3) Teaching all Learners.
- B. L. Ivans also shared that there were 86 applications for the registration scholarship offered by the LPC; 80 will be paid by the LPC and Child Care Services will sponsor the 6 additional applicants. The recipients of the registration scholarship agree to attend at least one of the special needs workshops and their center will receive evaluations after the conference to be returned to the LPC.
- C. G. Nadal will send a sign-up sheet with time slots for members to volunteer at the LPC table at the Conference.
- D. The keynote speaker for the March 26, 2011 Child Development Conference will be Jose Luis Orozco.

7. ELQIS:

- A. G. Nadal shared background information on the Early Learning Quality Improvement System. The group was formed because of SB 1629 (Steinberg) to increase outcomes for children and decrease the achievement gap by focusing on early childhood education. There is a quality rating scale in development which uses a tier system to rate the center. On March 18th from 10:00a – 1:00p, the ELQIS workforce subcommittee will meet at the Yolo County Office of Education, Conference Center. There will be an opportunity for public comment and input at the meeting.

8. LPC Bylaws:

- A. L. Ivans outlined some of the major differences in the original bylaws and revision to the bylaws. Some of the major changes include: terms for members will be 2 years instead of 4; more information about proxy designation and reimbursement; and the conflict of interest section.
- B. L. Ivans suggested one more revision of the bylaws to address concerns with the proxy section, conflict of interest and indemnification. Approval of the revision to the bylaws will be on the April LPC agenda.

9. LPC Meeting Day/Time FY10/11

- A. R. Foster reminded that the LPC met on the second Tuesday of the month from 2:00 – 4:30 for FY08/09. The reason for the change to the first Tuesday of the month was due to availability in the Conference Center at YCOE for FY09/10.

- B. The group discussed availability and meeting times and agreed to try to return to the second Tuesday of each month at the same time for FY10/11 regular LPC meetings.

10. Subcommittee Updates:

- A. Educate & Outreach: C. Flores shared that there was good interest from the Transition to Kindergarten Summit for the Kindergarten visits.
- B. Week of the Young Child: E. Lewis shared that the celebration for Week of the Young Child will be combined with the Día de los Niños celebration at Ferns Park on April 30th from 3:00 – 6:00. The LPC will have a large area at the celebration to promote the Week of the Young Child.
- C. Community and Workforce Development: L. Arner shared that the Yolo County Inclusion group met in January to tour the Greengate Special Education program. The next meeting for the group will be on March 25th at the YCOE, Conference Center. A tour of the Winters Parent Nursery School is also being planned for April to witness inclusive practices. This subcommittee will also pay registration fees for one Yolo County participant in exchange for a training provided by this individual from the Center for Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning (CSEFEL) training.

11. Member Updates:

- A. O. Rodriguez shared that the Almond Festival will be on March 14th in Esparto starting at 9:00a.
- B. C. Flores shared that Woodland Parent Nursery School requested help with licensing. L. Ivans will connect with the school.
- C. L. Arner shared that a BA Cohort will graduate in May including 1 Yolo County graduate. The Woodland BA Cohort has 8 Yolo County residents. L. Arner will make an interest flyer to be shared at the Child Development Conference to determine interest in the development of another cohort.
- D. J. Jimenez shared that UP4WS is working on their budget for FY10/11 and they hope to continue working with F5CA.
- E. E. Lewis is planning a field trip for K-3 children for the summer and requested advice for possible locations.
- F. L. Ivans shared that the R&R Supervisor at Child Care Services resigned and that she would take on some of the responsibilities of this position. The R&R staff will have increased hours for the remainder of this fiscal year.
- G. G. Nadal reminded that the LPC will pay for 40 Yolo County residents or employees to attend the Outdoor Training Workshop in Yuba City to be held on March 27th.

12. Next LPC Meeting:

The next LPC meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6, 2010 at the Yolo County Office of Education, Conference Center.

13. Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m. for subcommittee work.