



MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 15, 2010
Santa Cruz County Office of Education
400 Encinal Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

- I. CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS
 - Introductions were made and the meeting came to order 2:40 pm.
- II. AGENDA REVIEW AND QUORUM CHECK
 - Quorum was established
- III. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
 - Approved by Larry Drury, seconded by Ellen Murtha.
- IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS
 - Alli Spickler of Bill Monning's office is looking at bills at state level related to children's health.
 - Bill Monning will be attending the CCPC Retreat in June.
- V. 2010 CHILD CARE EXPANSION PRIORITIES REPORT FOR Santa Cruz COUNTY
 - Diane reviewed the priorities report with Council members. The Council approved the report with suggested changes.
- VI. CCPC ANNUAL SURVEY REVIEW & RETREAT PLANNING
 - Council members reflected on the need for the annual member survey. The intense year of preschool planning we had just finished. Refocus on priorities to build on the things we completed. Use meetings to discuss things that impact children.
 - Council broke out into small groups to reflect on specific questions on the Annual survey to see what progress was made for the fiscal year 2009-2010? Survey will be completed again for the coming year. Look at questions 9 & 10 on last year's survey. Second group will look at questions 16 & 17 that deal with committees. Third group will look at question 20 that deals with Council accomplishments.
 - Report out on questions 9 & 10 on last year's survey: 1) Break out sessions were successful was a successful strategy for getting work accomplished. 2) Is all the paper needed? Perhaps members could download copies that they will need for the Council meetings. 3) Information flow—explores having a Yahoo group where we can go to get information rather than get e-mail overload. 4) Look at occasional outside events for networking/social purposes. 5) Occasional review and follow-up on initiatives. 6) Meetings were well facilitated and Council members were kept on track.

Report Out on Questions 16 & 17 on Committee work: 1) Suggestion to include a question on the survey on committees...standing committee, ad hoc committee on funding, and ASAP plan. 2) The process of looking at priorities (framework) was beneficial, 3) Good outcomes on ASAP committee work. 4) Written report on standing committees (Advocacy & ASAP) was helpful. 5) Consent agenda was helpful. 7) Like the flexibility around committee participation requirement.

- Report out for Question 20 on Council Accomplishments: 1) Good outcomes were accomplished around work with elected...the quality of the supervisor visits and the Forum promoted good discussion. Caution: don't lose that momentum...keep the hubs going. 2) Snapshot committee will re-convene and evaluate usefulness in the fall and as a way to keep communication going. 3) More focus around setting priorities and goals was effective. Head Start got funding based on the support letter from planning council. 4) Increase diversity of Council members...more parents. Lots of different kinds of diversity need to look at including family child care providers...perhaps some strategic recruitment. Recruit people who represent children with special needs. 5) Look at the master plan yearly to see progress being done.

VII. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

- What does it do? Role is to stay on top of what is coming up and the priorities for the year, and making sure we stay on task.
- Set up the agenda for Council meetings.
- Executive committee has good staff support. The chair/co-chair model has worked well. It has been helpful having an alternate for meeting attendance.
- In order to avoid a leadership vacuum when the exec committee changes, and provide for continuity and a good balance in the wealth of experience, it was suggested that the vice chair agree to take on the chair role? A change in by-laws may be needed.
- The chair asked Council members that are interested in being nominated to let the coordinator know. The vote will be taken at the Retreat in June.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Jerri W. announced the open house at the Baskin Center on Friday, 03/26
- New eligibility criteria High risk that don't have an associated dev. Delay.
- Rep from the Regional Center will present on the new criteria for prevention program at June Brown Bag Seminar at First 5.
- Vicki B. announced that a training on the Snapshot in San Lorenzo Valley, another training is scheduled for next week in Spanish.

IX. ADJOURNMENT OF MONTHLY MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 4:24 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 13, at SCCOE, 400 Encinal St.
Santa Cruz, CA from 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm.
