

# **Minutes** January 13, 2022 11:30-1:00PM

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- 1) Call to Order: Pam Heays, Chair called the meeting to order at 11:33 AM
- 2) Establish Quorum:

# **MCCCC Members Present (7 of 9 members):**

- Pam Heays, Consumer of Child Care (Chair)
- Danielle Dublino, IMACA Preschool Teacher (Vice-Chair)
- Molly DesBaillets, First 5
- Annaliesa Calhoun, First 5
- Sofia Flores, Behavioral Health
- Kelly Conboy, IMACA CCC Director (Late 12:00 PM)
- Jacinda Croissant, Health Department
- Annaliesa Calhoun, First 5
- Brooke Bien, MUSD (Left at 11:46AM)

## MCCCC Members Absent (1 of 9 members):

Brittany Nelson, IMACA Staff

**LPC Coordinator:** Courtney Powell, Mono County Office of Education

**Public:** Ericka Erickson, Low Income Investment Fund (LIIF)

Andrea Walker, Community Member

Scott Herring, Community Care Licensing

- 3) Introductions: Please see agenda item two.
- 4) Resolution: Adoption of Board Resolution No.3: A Resolution of The Mono County Child Care Council Proclaiming a Local Emergency, Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Newsom dated March 4, 2020, and Authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings for the Period of January 13, 2022 through February 11, 2022. Sofia Flores made a motion to approve the Resolution. Danielle Dublino second. All in favor (7). No abstentions. No discussion. Motion passes. (Action)



- 5) **Public Comment:** Members of the public are given the opportunity to address the Council on items of interest within the jurisdiction of the Council. No Comment.
- 6) Child Care Slot Document: The Coordinator shared the fall of 2021 Child Care Slot Documents. The document includes the four forms of child care in Mono County; Center-based programs, Family Child Care Homes, Family Friends and neighbor and After School Enrichment/ After School Care. At the August/ September meeting Molly asked for this document to come back to the county. The Coordinator found the template and shared it at the October meeting while still collecting the slot numbers. The Coordinator made a few changes to the template they are; a column for the number of children a program is licensed for, # of children based on staffing capacity, notes, type of care (full, half day or both) and in some cases ratios. There was also a section added at the bottom with define and special cases that impact this document. The section at the bottom is very similar to zip code priorities. The Coordinators goal is to create a template that does not need to be changed from year to year. Due to how long it takes to collect the numbers and clean up the document the Coordinator will be collecting the spring numbers in February. There was one suggestion to add the number of children per zip code to the document and to make some minor spelling and language changes. (Information)
- 7) Facilities: The Coordinator shared that at the beginning of the year Child Care Coordinators Association Meeting there was a presentation from the Low-Income Investment Fund (LIIF) organization. The Coordinator asked for LIIF to come back and present to the county specifically related to their work around facilities. Ericka Erickson shared that LIIF is community development financial institution and they offer different financial products to developers and affordable housing. LIIF is currently focusing on facilities and partnering with local funders to offer grants to child care providers. In the 2020-2021 budget there was 250 million set aside for facilities but it was rerouted for the pandemic. No in 2021-2022 they will be reallocating the 250 million in the form of the infostructure grant. She mentioned to monitor the website for support and the Build Up California. In addition to Ericka's presentation there were a few additional documents in the packet. Page 9 of the packet was a letter from Dan Holler to the First 5 Mono Commission in response various letters about the 2021 CDBG. Dan requested for the council to view this letter. The remaining documents were requested to be included at the request of Molly DesBaillets. Molly highlighted the extensive work that has been done in the Town of Mammoth Lakes in regards to child care. In 2007 there was a Childcare Collaborative created but it ended. There was also a site identified near current ice rink that could have a capacity 130 children. In 2015 MCOE made an effort around child care but it stalled and no partners chose to contribute funds. This effort was for the same site and capacity planned in 2007 under the Childcare Collaborative. In 2016 Mammoth Hospital made an effort. However, that ended due to construction being deemed too expensive. The location of this



center was to be onsite at Mammoth Hospital and the capacity was unknown. In 2021 First 5 Mono worked on a CDBG application with the Town of Mammoth Lakes. However, it was not submitted and the town decided to seek a facilities needs assessment prior to applying. There was a request to agenize hearing from IMACA about the parcel and what they need in regards to the numbers. Then as a council identify what our role is in supporting IMACA and set goals to help them. (*Information*)

#### 8) Workforce Recruitment:

- a) Members had the opportunity to discuss ECE workforce recruitment. The Coordinator shared that after reviewing agenda item 6 and numerous round table agency updates from IMACA we can clearly see that we have staffing is an issue. This staffing issue will also impact IMACA's ability to expand within The Parcel. We need to focus on workforce recruitment and obtaining the state required qualifications. If IMACA is unable to staff the center at the parcel it will have a huge impact on child care throughout mono because they will lose their CSPP contract which will impact Mammoth, Lee Vining and Coleville. One workforce support that is currently taking place is the Mono/Alpine Workforce Pathways Stipend Program (WPSP) but it can only support providers currently working in a program that accepts State subsidies. WPSP focuses on professional development, college course work and Permit in turn they earn an individualized stipend for their completion. The council discussed the idea of needing to allocated funds for advertisement but a council member requested we reach out to the centers to see if that is where they need support for staffing before allocating funds to that. There has all been discission around high school recruitment. The Coordinator has created a flyer to be shared with the high schools and has begun reaching out to the right contacts before sending out the flyer. Jacinda suggested that we do try to take out a small add sharing how to become a child care provider and where to get started. The council also asked for the Coordinator could show a demo of the council website. (*Information*)
- b) The Council reviewed the flyers. There were proposed changes were; on flyer one it was to add the word you after Coleville High School, spell out ECE and state can take two ECE classes. The hope is to list the school counselors, Cerro Coso counselor and the LPC Coordinator. On the Second flyer the suggested edits were to spell out CD next to stipend. Molly DesBaillets made a motion to approve the three flyers with the proposed changes. Annaliesa Calhoun second. All in favor (7). No abstentions. No discussion. Motion passes. (*Action*)
- 9) **Provider Appreciation Discussion:** Members had the opportunity to discuss ideas for Provider Appreciation and select no more than three options to survey the providers. The three ideas were to find out the cost of a food truck, put together a bag with resource materials and offer a paint night event with food. The Council also heard that in Inyo County paid for a dinner and then came back together for the event. There was question if



Resource and Referral, IMACA would be able to fund part of or all of the cost for the food. Gift cards are not an option for First 5, IMACA or LPC. Kelly will follow up with a budget for the food portion. Pam Heays made a motion to approve the coordinator to survey the providers on their preferred option; paint night or educational materials. Jacinda Croissant second. All in favor (6). One abstentions, Danielle Dublino. No discussion. Motion passes. (*Action*)

10) Meeting Schedule: Members considered a change in the meeting time from 11:30-1:00pm to 1:00 pm-2:30PM for remaining meeting dates; February 10, 2022; March 10, 2022; April 14, 2022; May 12, 2022; June 9, 2022. The changes were at request to accommodate the child care provider membership category. Danielle Dublino's school day got extended from a half day program to full day and we have limited to no substitute teacher to fill her space for the meeting. In addition, the Coordinator no longer had a conflict during that meeting time. Danielle Dublino made a motion to approve the time change. Molly DesBaillets second. All in favor (7). No abstentions. No discussion. Motion passes.

New Meeting schedule will be February 10, 2022; March 10, 2022; April 14, 2022; May 12, 2022; June 9, 2022 from 1:00PM-2:30PM.

- **11) Agency Round Table:** Members are given an opportunity to update the Council on what their agencies/centers have done since the last Council meeting in regards to child care and child health and safety. (*Information*)
  - Pam Heays, Consumer of Child Care (Chair): No Update
  - Danielle Dublino, IMACA Preschool Teacher (Vice-Chair): Her program has extended its school day from a 3.5 hours day to a 5-hour day.
  - Molly DesBaillets, First 5: Highlight that the Governor's budget came out yesterday and it includes funding for the universal pre-kindergarten which will move all 4-year old's to the K-12 system 4 year phase in with two months of birthdays added in each year starting in the 2022-2023 school year. The potential for CSPP to include 2-year old's. First 5 is all virtual at this time.
  - Annaliesa Calhoun, First 5: For Quality Improvement they are working on mid-year meetings.
  - Sofia Flores, Behavioral Health: They have expanded Club House live to the north county on Thursday and Fridays in Bridgeport. All activities are virtual at this time. There is a Wellness Center newsletter sign up and Sofia will share it in an email.
  - Kelly Conboy, IMACA CCC Director: Trust Line/ Gradian has gown and now has 48 families enrolled and that is 70 children. They are still working in the office with a few restriction, such as one family at a time.
     Please contract IMACA CCC for more information.



- Jacinda Croissant, Health Department: The health department's investigations are limited with the most recent surge of Covid cases. The guidance on the isolation time for Covid can be found on the health departments website. If a family needs home covid test Public Health may have some available. Jacinda still has materials or safe sleep please contact her. In addition, she has materials for maternal and paternal mental health resource bags.
- Courtney, MCOE & MCCCC: Still waiting to hear from CDSS about prior approval for the contract work
  of the Needs Assessment. We have two new applications to join the council. The By-Laws have been
  approved by the County Superintend of Schools and the Mono County Board of Supervisors. Community
  Care Licensing is working on getting covid test kits to providers.

**12) Meeting Adjourned:** 1:02PM