

**Tulare County Child Care Planning Council
AGENDA**

Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Visalia Holiday Inn
9000 W Airport Dr.
Visalia, CA 93277

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Welcome and Introductions

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The public comment period is limited to fifteen minutes; therefore please limit each individual/organization comments to three minutes. The Council is unable to take action on any item not appearing on the agenda.

The public will also have an opportunity to comment on each agenda item after there has been discussion and prior to the Council taking a vote on the item. There will be a maximum of six minutes per topic/two minutes per individual. Please begin by stating your first and last name.

III. COUNCIL TRAINING

In lieu of training, Council members are invited to attend the First 5 Tulare County Hands-on-Heroes event immediately following the meeting.

IV. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

V. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

A. February Minutes

B. Council Name

C. Nominating Committee

D. Council Retreat

E. Transitional Kindergarten

VI. OTHER REPORTS

A. Legislative Breakfast Committee

B. Inclusion Collaborative Committee

C. AB 212

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

VIII. NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING

June 10, 2011

Council Retreat - 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Brandman University.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

TULARE COUNTY CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL MANDATES

- Conduct an assessment of child care needs at least once every five years. The needs assessment shall meet the requirements as specified in Education Code, Section 8499.5 (b).
- Document information gathered during the needs assessment which shall include, but need not be limited to, data on supply, demand, cost, and market rates for each category of child care in the county.
- Submit the results of the needs assessment and the local priorities identified by the LPC to the CBS and CSS for approval before submitting them to CDE.
- Prepare a comprehensive countywide child care plan designed to mobilize public and private resources to address identified needs.
- Encourage public input in the development of priorities. Opportunities for public input shall include at least one public hearing during which members of the public can comment on the proposed priorities.
- Conduct a periodic review of child care programs funded by the CDE and CDSS to determine if identified priorities are being met.
- Collaborate with all interested parties, including, but not be limited to subsidized and non-subsidized child care providers, county welfare departments, human service agencies, regional centers, job training programs, employers, integrated child and family service councils, local and state children and families commissions, parent organizations, early start family resource centers, family empowerment centers on disabilities, and local child care resource and referral programs to foster partnerships designed to meet local child care needs.
- Facilitate community-based efforts to coordinate part-day programs, including state preschool and Head Start, with other child care and development services to provide full-day, full-year child care and development services based on guidelines and funding models approved by state and federal agencies.
- Develop and implement a training plan to provide increased efficiency, productivity, and facilitation of LPC meetings.

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