

**TULARE COUNTY CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**Thursday, October 12, 2006**

**3:00 – 5:00 p.m.**

**Resource & Referral Conference Room**

**Present:** Rosemary Caso, Brandi Clark, Rose Crow, Joe Engelbrecht, Cynthia Garcia, Janet Hogan, Tracy Martinez, Edwyn Ortiz-Nance, Celeste Rodriguez (staff), Carolyn Rose, Lois Sheffield, Valerie Simonich, Stan Stine, and Vicki Wright.

**Absent:** Karen Cardell, Ray Chavez, Nancy Driver, Pam Pulford, Rose Rubio, and Mary Thomas.

**Guests:** Lillian Koenig.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**A. Welcome**

Joe Engelbrecht welcomed all committee members to the meeting. A drawing was held as an incentive to encourage committee members to attend the meetings. For this month, Janet Hogan was the winner. She will bring the incentive for the next meeting.

**B. Chairperson's Award**

This month's chairperson's award was given to Rose Crow.

**II. COUNCIL TRAINING**

Rose Crow gave a presentation on the Mozzarella Fresca Cheese Plant in Tipton CA. Carolyn Rose gave a presentation on CSET and Brandi Clark's presentation was on Tulare/Kings Red Cross.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Lillian Koenig was present. Lillian stated that there were two public meetings held in the Visalia and Porterville area that had no advertisement, therefore she was unable to attend. Lillian asked if it was possible to give families a voucher to give to providers for child care fees.

**IV. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. August Minutes**

Carolyn Rose made a motion to approve the August 2006 minutes as written. Stan Stine seconded the motion. The motioned carried.

**B. Retreat Report**

**i. Mission Statement**

Carolyn Rose made a motion to approve the revised mission statement as presented. Edwin Ortiz-Nance seconded the motion. The motioned carried.

**ii. Goals**

The three main goals established at the retreat for the LPC are; (1) Visibility (2) Strong Council (3) Complete Mandates. Joe will discuss the state mandates at the next meeting. Cynthia Garcia made the motion to approve the goals. Valerie Simonich seconded the motion. The motioned carried.

**V. REPORTS AND DISCUSSION**

**A. Executive Committee**

**i. Retreat**

All members agreed that the retreat held in September went well and those in attendance were extremely focused and a lot was accomplished.

**ii. Needs Assessment**

The Executive Committee met and decided that the current budget sufficient enough to revise the Needs Assessment. It was agreed that the Council should request funds from First 5 Tulare County.

**iii. Strategic Plan Revision**

It was suggested that a committee be formed to work on the revision of the strategic plan based on the outcomes of the retreat. Joe Engelbrecht will e-mail members to participate.

**iv. Student Intern**

At this time it is too late in the year for an intern. There is a possibility to use an Intern to help coordinate the next summit. This item will be further discussed at the December meeting.

**v. CalSAFE**

Cynthia Garcia reported on CalSAFE. She explained that CalSAFE is a state funded program that needs to have enrollment of teen parents. The issue with CalSAFE at this time is the lack of funding for the child care for the teen parents/students.

**vi. P-16 Network for Student Success**

Information was presented about the P-16 Network and members of the Council were asked to consider attending. It was noted that since the Council is interested in collaborating with other agencies, having Council members attend the P-16 meeting would be helpful to accomplish the mandate.

## **B. Workgroup/Committees**

### **i. Review Current Groups**

The current groups are standing; AB212, Collaboration and Executive.

### **ii. Discuss Revised Groups**

The current committees were reviewed and it was suggested that they be reorganized around the three strategic plan goals; visibility, strong Council, and timely completion of mandates. The Executive Committee will work on the mandates, the Marketing Committee on the Visibility, and the Collaboration on the strong and involved Council goal.

### **iii. Updates**

#### **1. AB212**

The AB 212 applications were due on Friday, October 6<sup>th</sup>. Staff will update the council in December.

#### **2. Collaboration**

The P-16 meetings will be reported to the council.

## **C. CDPI Conference Report**

Tracy Martinez attended the CDPI conference in Sacramento CA. There is \$50 million available thru the AB172. The monies will be disbursed to the lowest performing schools. January 7, 2007 is when agencies can apply for the funds.

## **D. First 5 Tulare County**

The next First 5 Tulare County meeting is scheduled for October 26, 2006 @ 2:00 p.m.

## **VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The next Read for Life event is scheduled for April 21, 2007.

## **VII. NEXT SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING**

The next Child Care Planning Council meeting is scheduled for December 14, 2006 in the Resource & Referral Conference Room.

## **VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.