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Local Child Care Planning Council

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April 15, 2019 Meeting Minutes

ATTENDANCE

Amber Chambers Rebecca Maietto Margarita King Jacki Lee LPC Staff Agency Rep. Discretionary Rep. Provider Rep. Amber Edwards Alan Wright Kim Tucker Steve Dahlem

Parent Rep. Parent Rep. Public County Counsel

Presentation on the Brown Act by Steve Dahlem, County Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Rebecca at 1:04 pm.

AGENDA/MINUTES

The Agenda was approved 1^{st:} Alan Wright 2nd: Jacki Lee and the council carried. The March minutes were tabled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / PUBLIC INPUT

Amber welcomed Amber Edwards to the Council and gave her a LPC binder with LPC By-Laws, Agendas & minutes, etc. Amber announced that ICES would be offering training on Dyslexia in April, and also having an herb walk for Providers.

COORDINATORS REPORT

Amber reported on the many changes currently happening at ICES. Amber shared that the agency had fired the ED back in February and hired a new Ed in December 2018. The new ED, Cheryl Dodge, jumped right in with making agency and staff changes. Angie Steele, Mariposa ICES employee for 27 years was threatened and basically driven out by the new Management. Amber being an ICES Board member, expressed concern and disappointment by the new EDs actions asked the Board to have a special meeting to address these concerns. Amber also suggested the Board offer an employee survey to see if any other staff was having similar issues or if things were positive in other areas. The Board refused both requests made by Amber. At the March meeting the ICES Board did not agree with Ambers concerns and backed the new ED 100%, stating "we've hired her to do a job, let her do it". Shocked, Amber is contemplating continuing on this board.

NEW BUSINESS

Amber reminded LPC members that at the May meeting we would be voting in a new fearless leader to act as our Chair that is **IF** Rebecca declines to continue her reign for another year!

It was decided that the LPC would purchase a half page ad in the Gazette to honor Providers and Preschools for Provider Appreciation Day. Each Provider or Center will have a picture, the date they became licensed, and a public thank you from the community. Amber is hoping this is a good way to recruit some more Providers and free advertising for current Providers. It was also shared that this would be a good way to use some of the funds that will not be used as planned this year due to the Needs Assessment project with Samantha Thompson being terminated.

OLD BUSINESS

Amber reported that the Community Needs Assessment would be extended by a week in an effort to get additional community input. Amber encouraged all members to forward and share with friends who may not have done it yet. Amber shared that the Week of The Young Child went smoothly. Everyone enjoyed the art displays made by the Children.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Amber reported that 3rd Qtr. Financials were complete and sent to CDE by deadline. Amber asked members to keep up the good work with reporting In Kind as we are still behind where we need to be at this point in the year.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 PM 1st: Alan Wright 2nd: Jacki Lee and the council carried.

Next Meeting: May 20, 2019

Respectfully submitted,

Amber Chambers LCCPC Coordinator