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OECE Citizens Advisory Committee

September 19, 2019

4:00 - 6:00 pm

1650 Mission Street, Suite 312

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Yohana Quiroz, Pat Sullivan, Jerry Yang, and Meenoo Yashar

Members Absent: Sandee Blechman, Fonda Davidson, Meredith Osborn, Lygia Stebbing, Candace Wong

OECE Staff Members Present: Ingrid Mezquita, Graham Dobson, Maya Castleman, Jessica Campos (Willie Brown fellow), Licette Montejano (representing CPAC)

Members of the Public Present: Bev Melugin, CPAC; Sara Hicks-Kilday, ECE SF; Gina Fromer, Children's Council; Monica Walters, Wu Yee Children's Services; Daniel Tashroudian, Winnie

I. Call to Order and Agenda Review

Ms. Quiroz called the meeting to order, welcomed members of the CAC and public, and reviewed the meeting agenda.

II. Minutes of March, 2019 CAC Meeting and July, 2019 CAC Meeting

A. This item was tabled due to lack of quorum.

III. Developing Decision-Making Protocols

A. Director Mezquita presented on the Tree Bressen Consensus Decision-making model (*See attachment 1*).

B. CAC members agreed to revisit the model to discuss more deeply with new seated members.

IV. Proposal to Amend Committee Bylaws Regarding Public Comment

A. This item was tabled due to lack of quorum.

V. Director's Report (*see attachment 2*)

A. Director Mezquita highlighted key updates from her Director's report.

B. Vice chair Yang asked for clarity on the status of the Educator Stipends.

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- i. Director Mezquita explained OECE is currently waiting for agreement between the Mayor’s Office and Board of Supervisors about funds distribution over 2 or 3 years.
- C. CAC members discussed Kindergarten-Readiness and the multiple “levers” contributing to K-readiness, which include high-quality early care and education and family support, child and parent health, housing supports and more.
 - i. Director Mezquita highlighted birth-to-five efforts throughout the City including FRCs and the Expecting Justice Collaborative. She recognized it is challenging to work across departments and initiatives but we have an opportunity given the Mayor’s endorsement of K-readiness as a key area of focus for the Our Children Our Families Council.
- D. Chair Quiroz and Director Mezquita thanked Member Yashar for her service on the Committee.

VI. FCC Rates Preview *(See attachment 3)*

- A. Director Mezquita presented OECE’s first draft plan for increases to the Family Child Care Reimbursement rate. She emphasized the presentation is in its first draft and recommendations will be based on the input received from Family Child Care providers via a series of roundtable discussions in multiple languages scheduled later this month.
- B. Member Sullivan commented rates are important but licensing issues are also a major contributor to lack of infant spaces in FCCs. She thanked OECE for organizing roundtables and is interested and excited to hear feedback from these sessions.

VII. Public Comment

- A. Public comment should be available after each agenda item in accordance with the Brown Act.
- B. Appreciation and support for OECE’S work to center equity and increases to FCC rates.
- C. There is insufficient supply of FCCs making it difficult for R&Rs to make matches. There are FCCs waiting to become part of the City network and there is need to onboard new programs.
- D. Winnie is a new program in San Francisco helping families find child care.
- E. The advocacy community focuses on rates, but it is not in lieu of other quality supports, as they are one piece of a larger system.
- F. Concerns about ECMHCI and data-sharing challenges. Request for a meeting with the Joint funders - OECE, DPH, First 5 - to discuss consent and data-sharing practices.

VIII. Closing

A. Meeting Adjourned at 5:55pm.

Next scheduled meeting: November 21, 2019, 4pm-6pm.

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