

### **Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County**

October 1, 2021 Zoom Meeting Meeting ID: 980 4447 7304

### Minutes Approved at the November 5, 2021 Council Meeting

The mission of the Child Care Planning Council of Sonoma County is to convene and inspire the community through collaboration, leadership and advocacy to promote and plan for quality child care and development for the benefit of all children (birth to 12), their families and Sonoma County.

**Members Present:** Bryan Clement, Missy Danneberg, Soledad Figueroa, Rebecca Hachmyer, Alice Hampton, Kathy Kelley, Susan Langer, Jason Riggs, Chris Sorg, Heather Sweet-Krikac, Sonya Valiente, Cathy Vaughn, Renee Whitlock-Hemsouvanh, Terry Ziegler

Members Notified Absent: Richard Horrell, Lorie Siebler, Gina Dickson, Megan Hede, Margie Vondrak

Members Absent: Lisa Grocott, Lisa Bell

**Guests Present:** Diana Avila, Grant Curry, Maria Banuelos, Jessica Borland, Jenny Copeland, Norine Doherty, Elena Janred, Allison Klein, Hunter Petretti, Sheri Schonleber, Lisa Steinman, Kathryn Stratmann-Kirmsse, Maleesse Warner, Steven Worker, Natalie Wright, Yajuan

(Vivian) Xiang, Jasmine Yung

**Advisors Present:** Melanie Dodson, Lara Magnusdottir **Staff Present:** Susy Marrón, Erica Hurtado, Liz DePrimo

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| 1. Welcome and       |            | Participants introduced themselves |           |
| Introductions        |            | via the Chat Box.                  |           |
| 2. Call to order **, |            | Co-Chair, Renee Whitlock-          |           |
| Remote meeting       |            | Hemsouvanh, called the meeting to  |           |
| guidelines           |            | order at 9:07 AM when quorum was   |           |
|                      |            | achieved.                          |           |
| 3. Approval          |            | The agenda was approved by         |           |
| of/Revisions to      |            | unanimous consent.                 |           |
| Agenda**             |            |                                    |           |

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| <ul> <li>4. Consent Calendar**</li> <li>a. CCPC Meeting         <ul> <li>Minutes of 9/3/21</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Member         <ul> <li>Resignations:</li> <li>Lorie Siebler</li> <li>Richard Horrell</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul> <li>a. CCPC minutes of 9/3/2021 were reviewed.</li> <li>b. Member resignations were reviewed.</li> </ul>  | <ul> <li>a. The minutes of 9/3/2021 were approved by unanimous consent.</li> <li>b. The resignations of Lorie Siebler and Richard Horrell were approved by unanimous consent.</li> </ul> |           |
| 5. AB 361: Updated Brown Act Teleconferencing/Vir tual Meeting Requirements/ Determination to hold future Council Meetings Via Teleconferencing**   | Susy shared information about the passage of AB 361, reviewed the Sonoma County Public Health Officer's Recommendations for public meetings, and reviewed a draft resolution which would allow for council meetings to be conducted virtually with a required vote within thirty days in advance of each meeting, as per AB 361. | A motion to pass the resolution as presented was made by Renee Whitlock-Hemsouvanh and seconded by Susan Langer.  AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTAIN: 0 ABSENT: 7                                  |           |

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| 6. Child Care   | Rebecca shared that Old Adobe is hiring  |        |           |
| Consumers/Child | and has many positions open in their   |        |           |
| Care Providers  | after school care program. They also   |        |           |
| Input/Member    | have a need for a one-on-one support   |        |           |
| Announcements   | person.  |        |           |
|                 | Susan Langer shared that substitute teachers are greatly needed, and encouraged anyone with a bachelors degree to obtain certification to become a substitute.                     |        |           |
|                 | Rebecca shared that Hidden Valley Community Preschool will close due to a staffing shortage. Plans to reopen that site in August if they are able to hire more staff by that time. |        |           |

# 7. Public Announcements

Lisa Steinman of Sonoma County
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention
Program, shared about Lead Week, Oct
24 - 30. This is a national campaign to
bring exposure around lead poisoning.
Lisa would like to share information in
the CCPC newsletter. There will be
webinars on the subject held throughout
the week.

Kathy Kelly shared that stress levels of people in the ECE community are very high due to staff shortages and exhaustion. Child Parent Institute may be a good support through assessments, training and other support. Kathy encouraged those in need to reach out for support.

Susan Langer shared concerns that people will leave the ELC field due to burnout.

Melanie shared that the American Rescue Plan (ARPA) dollars will be coming to Sonoma County and cities within the county. Now is the time to share input on how this money will be spent.

Renee shared that she observes that children are socially delayed and encouraged people in the field of ECE to recognize and consider this in their practice.

Renee shared that the city of Healdsburg has a request-for-proposal out for a preschool program in a rent-free facility, the Brush Creek Community Center. Melanie shared that stipends of \$600 per child will be paid soon to alternative payment providers. In addition, Community Care Licensing is issuing stipends to licenced centers. Norine shared that if anyone has questions regarding the ARPA funding please reach out to her. Upstream Investments is working to advocate for how this money will be spent. Norine also shared information on ARPA funding in the chat box. Liz congratulated Kathy Kelly and Susy Marrón on their Champions for Children Awards.

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| 8. Executive                        | Susan Langer shared that the Executive     |                                  |           |
| Committee Report:                   | Committee, at their last meeting,          |                                  |           |
| <ul> <li>Council meeting</li> </ul> | discussed CCPC workgroups and created      |                                  |           |
| feedback                            | the plan for workgroups to add their       |                                  |           |
| <ul> <li>Direct charges</li> </ul>  | ideas for goals and hot topics to a shared |                                  |           |
| update                              | document. Susan shared that the            |                                  |           |
|                                     | feedback on workgroups which was           |                                  |           |
|                                     | collected from CCPC members and            |                                  |           |
|                                     | guests was overall very positive.          |                                  |           |
|                                     | Susan also reported that going forward     |                                  |           |
|                                     | CCPC will no longer need to pay rent to    |                                  |           |
|                                     | SCOE.                                      |                                  |           |
|                                     | Susy reported that First 5 and CCPC were   |                                  |           |
|                                     | awarded a Shared Services Alliance         |                                  |           |
|                                     | grant.                                     |                                  |           |
| 9. Workgroup                        | Rebecca explained that workgroups          | Workgroups met in breakout rooms |           |
| Breakout session and                | would be given thirty minutes to           | for thirty minutes               |           |
| Report outs                         | reconnect, brainstorm hot topic ideas,     |                                  |           |
|                                     | identify a hot topic presentation month,   |                                  |           |
|                                     | set goals for 2021/22 and set a meeting    |                                  |           |
|                                     | schedule. Rebecca explained that notes     |                                  |           |
|                                     | should be recorded on the shared           |                                  |           |
|                                     | document shared by Susy in the chat        |                                  |           |
|                                     | box.                                       |                                  |           |
|                                     | Renee explained that a hot topic is a      |                                  |           |
|                                     | presentation on a subject which is         |                                  |           |
|                                     | relevant to CCPC members and the ECE       |                                  |           |
|                                     | field. A deeper dive into a specific idea  |                                  |           |
|                                     | or topic. Hot topics are presented         |                                  |           |
|                                     | during council meetings, but outside of    |                                  |           |
|                                     | the routine business of the meeting.       |                                  |           |

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|       | Many hot topics are brought forward by     |        |           |
|       | CCPC's workgroups.                         |        |           |
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|       | Renee suggested that workgroups come       |        |           |
|       | up with short-term, attainable goals due   |        |           |
|       | to the ever changing conditions in the     |        |           |
|       | community.                                 |        |           |
|       | Jason Rigsg reported back from the         |        |           |
|       | Covid-19 workgroup that County Health      |        |           |
|       | Department and Community Care              |        |           |
|       | Licensing are two possible ideas as hot    |        |           |
|       | topic presentations. He also shared an     |        |           |
|       | idea for a possible survey to ascertain    |        |           |
|       | info around vaccination, status of         |        |           |
|       | employment.                                |        |           |
|       | Bryan reported back from the Equity        |        |           |
|       | workgroup that they discussed ACES and     |        |           |
|       | Health Equity Strategies. They             |        |           |
|       | brainstormed ideas around direct           |        |           |
|       | services for providers in the county to    |        |           |
|       | help alleviate stress. They also discussed |        |           |
|       | a possible Native land acknowledgment      |        |           |
|       | Susan Langer reported from the             |        |           |
|       | Inclusion group. The group would like to   |        |           |
|       | bring the Common Ground Society to         |        |           |
|       | present as a hot topic in November.        |        |           |
|       | Another idea is a panel of people to       |        |           |
|       | discuss resources for children with        |        |           |
|       | disabilities. Group will work on goals at  |        |           |
|       | the next meeting.                          |        |           |
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|                       | Missy reported that the Higher             |                                       |                                    |
|                       | Education group continues to work on       |                                       |                                    |
|                       | their website focussed on careers in ECE.  |                                       |                                    |
|                       | Their goal is to finish the website before |                                       |                                    |
|                       | the end of the year. They have an idea     |                                       |                                    |
|                       | for a hot topic on an apprenticeship       |                                       |                                    |
|                       | program in April.                          |                                       |                                    |
|                       | Renee reported that the Government         |                                       |                                    |
|                       | and Business Workgroup is looking for      |                                       |                                    |
|                       | more members. They discussed ideas         |                                       |                                    |
|                       | around advocacy for ARPA funds.            |                                       |                                    |
|                       | Perhaps a letter written as a council to   |                                       |                                    |
|                       | advocate for the ECE community.            |                                       |                                    |
|                       | Susy shared that if work groups have       |                                       |                                    |
|                       | funding requests, they can be made         |                                       |                                    |
|                       | through the shared google doc.             |                                       |                                    |
| 10. CCPC Feedback and | Links to the CCPC Feedback and             | Attendees were given five minutes     |                                    |
| In-Kind Contribution  | In-Kind Contributions forms were made      | to complete the forms.                |                                    |
| forms                 | available in the Chat Box.                 |                                       |                                    |
|                       |  | Links to the CCPC Feedback and        |                                    |
|                       | All attendees, including non-members,      | In-Kind Contributions forms will also |                                    |
|                       | were encouraged to complete the CCPC       | be emailed to participants following  |                                    |
|                       | Feedback and In-Kind Contributions         | the meeting.                          |                                    |
|                       | forms.                                     |                                       |                                    |
| 12. Adjournment       |  | The meeting was adjourned at 10:31    | The next meeting is on November 5, |
|                       |  | am by unanimous consent.              | at 9:00 am.                        |

## Chat Box October 1, 2021

| 08:56:13 | From | Cathy Vaughn : Good Morning   |
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| 08:56:18 | From | Cathy Vaughn : Cathy Vaughn   |
| 08:56:30 | From | Cathy Vaughn : Montessori school of Sonoma                                |
| 08:57:06 | From | Chris Sorg- Sonoma County: Chris Sorg- SonomaWORKS Child Care Coordinator |

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08:57:27 From Elena: Elena Janred-SCOE
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- 08:58:10 From Liz DePrimo : Good morning and happy Friday! Liz DePrimo, SCOE/CCPC
- 08:59:00 From Terry Ziegler: Good Morning. Terry Ziegler Mt. Taylor Children's Centers. Membership chair.
- Still looking for my replacement-its a great position!
- 08:59:49 From Alice Hampton: Hello everyone! Alice Hampton, Santa Rosa Junior College Child Development.
- 08:59:56 From Erica Hurtado: Thank you for joining us today! Please enter your name, organization, and one word to describe how you are showing up today.
- 09:00:01 From Kathy Kelley Early Learning Institute: Kathy Kelley, Early Learning Institute and Sonoma State
- 09:00:05 From Grant Currie Lakeshore : Good Morning Everyone! Great to see everyone. Grant Currie with Lakeshore Learning here.
- 09:00:07 From lsteinma: Good morning! Lisa Steinman, County Department of Health Services-Environmental Health
- 09:00:17 From Jessica Borland-WUSD: Jessica Borland, Windsor Unified School District. Coordinator of Child Development Services.
- 09:00:38 From Steven Worker: Steven Worker, (guest) and 4-H Youth Development Advisor, UC Cooperative Extension
- 09:01:21 From Diana Avila: Diana Avila River to Coast Children's Services
- 09:01:27 From Kathryn Stratmann-Kirmsse: Hi, I'm Kathryn Stratmann-Kirmsse and I'm a guest sitting in for a class I am taking at Sonoma State University
- 09:02:36 From Susan Langer: Welcome Kathryn
- 09:02:37 From Missy Danneberg: Missy Danneberg, Santa Rosa Junior College; grateful for all the hard work everyone is doing!
- 09:02:51 From Susan Langer: Great bedside manner, geez
- 09:03:08 From Susan Langer: Hello Jessica
- 09:03:41 From Jessica Borland-WUSD: Hello Susan
- 09:04:57 From Elena : Yay!!
- 09:05:05 From Sheri Schonleber: what great news!!
- 09:05:12 From Grant Currie Lakeshore : Congrats Terry!
- 09:06:14 From Susan Langer: Susan Langer, Sonoma SELPA
- 09:06:19 From Sonya Valiente: Sonya Valiente El Verano Preschool
- 09:06:19 From Melanie Dodson: Melanie Dodson, 4Cs
- 09:06:48 From maria Banuelos : Maria Banuelos CRIHB Lytton Head Start
- 09:06:51 From Norine Doherty (she/her) : Good morning! Norine Doherty, Road to Early Achievement and
- Development of Youth (READY)/Upstream Investments
- 09:06:53 From Sheri Schonleber: Hi, I'm Sheri and am a community member working at SSU
- 09:10:34 From Rebecca Hachmyer: Rebecca Hachmyer, Old Adobe Union School District
- 09:20:04 From Susan Langer: Sorry Renee

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From Elena: Yes, Kathy and this is not only in ECE but also in the schools as well.
09:26:35
          From Elena : Yes!!
09:26:41
           From Bryan Clement (he, him, his): Sorry, was in Health Action meeting until 9:30am
09:29:25
           From 1steinma: Lead Week October 24 - 30, 2021
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Each year, National Lead Poisoning Prevention Week (NLPPW) is a call to bring together individuals, organizations, industry, and state, tribal, and local governments to increase lead poisoning prevention awareness in an effort to reduce childhood exposure to lead. https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CCDPHP/DEODC/CLPPB/Pages/LeadWeek2021.aspx 09:30:13 From Norine Doherty (she/her) : ARPA Town Halls

Join us to gather input on where and how Sonoma County might best invest ARPA dollars. Each virtual Town Hall will be hosted by the supervisor for that district and will include an overview of ARPA funding along with small group community conversations. Please make sure to register by clicking on the links below.

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September 23, 6 - 8pm (District 3 - Supervisor Coursey): Register Now
October 4, 5:30 - 7:30pm (District 1 - Supervisor Gorin): Register Now
October 7, 5:30-7:30pm (District 5-Supervisor Hopkins): Register Now
October 13, 6 - 8pm (District 2 - Supervisor Rabbitt): Register Now
October 20, 5:30-7:30pm (District 4 - Supervisor Gore): Register Now
09:30:53
            From Susy Marrón (she/her/hers/ella): Thanks, Norine!!
09:31:07
            From Kathy Kelley - Early Learning Institute: Thanks Norine - Do you have the links too?
09:31:13
            From Norine Doherty (she/her): More Opportunities for Community Input to set American Rescue Plan
Act (ARPA) Funding Priorities!
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Join us for the second in a series of 5 virtual Town Hall meetings to gather community input on where and how Sonoma County might best invest ARPA dollars.

The next Town Hall is hosted by Supervisor Susan Gorin on Monday, October 4 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. The virtual Town Hall will include a brief overview of what ARPA funding is, current COVID-19 recovery work, opportunities to expand recovery, and facilitated community conversations to identify unmet needs and past successes that might inform future investments.

### Participants will:

09:25:39

- Learn what ARPA funding is and how it will be distributed in Sonoma County
- Share personal experiences to inform the Board of Supervisors as they set funding priorities

The meeting and facilitated discussion will be presented in English and Spanish.

Please preregister here if you would like to attend the next Town Hall:

- Supervisor Gorin District 1 Town Hall
- 09:31:50 From Bryan Clement (he, him, his): Yes, just coming off Health Action where they are talking about this. They have time and action they are rolling out, they are calling it Health Action 2.0 and moving community resources out of the County responsibility and more community held
- 09:31:52 From Norine Doherty (she/her): https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/CAO/ARPA/
- 09:32:40 From Norine Doherty (she/her): Sorry, trying to get the links here too, but if you follow the link to the County website here, you can register:) You can also go to ANY forum you want regardless of which District you live in:
- 09:32:51 From Bryan Clement (he, him, his): They are talking about upstream AND long term strategic action.
- 09:33:23 From Norine Doherty (she/her): https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUoc-6przoqGtHk4OM2dqgRaQOK8BkbAebZ
- 09:33:25 From lsteinma: Sonoma County Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program link:
- https://sonomacounty.ca.gov/Health/Environmental-Health/Healthy-Homes/Childhood-Lead-Poisoning-Prevention/
- 09:33:50 From Norine Doherty (she/her): 5th District: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcvd-qqzIuE9dZPZR5Fqj4uxWELLLWM4Aq
- 09:34:11 From Norine Doherty (she/her): 2nd District: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZcld0-opz4pH9NwZhEzJFTookNF1tWliNHw
- 09:34:32 From Norine Doherty (she/her): 4th District: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIlf-ytqDwiHtHztWaFHzXqqb3svrxpqljb
- 09:35:05 From Norine Doherty (she/her): 1st District: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUoc-6przoqGtHk4OM2dqgRaQOK8BkbAebZ
- 09:35:19 From Kathy Kelley Early Learning Institute: THanks Norine!
- 09:35:43 From Norine Doherty (she/her): 3rd District already happened last week. I Did hear folks speak to the trauma teachers have faced and the need for support in my breakout room.
- 09:38:30 From Sheri Schonleber: Congratulations to both of you!!!
- 09:38:41 From Yajuan (Vivian) Xiang: Congrats Kathy and Susy!!!!
- 09:38:43 From Elena: Congrats to Susy and Kathy!!!
- 09:38:48 From Susan Langer: Bravo to Kathleen and Susy. We are so lucky to have them in our county doing the hard work
- 09:38:52 From Melanie Dodson: Norine do you know if there is a way to submit written comments for these funds. If we could send that out to CCPC and all providers that would be great.
- 09:42:22 From Norine Doherty (she/her): Great question! Let me investigate that and get back to you. In general, if you want to submit public comment to get on record, you need to do the following: \* Craft a letter of support for a specific project that is being reviewed, including agenda item # and date of review of item. Send letter to the following contacts:
- 1. Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board: bos@sonoma-county.org
- 2. 1st District Supervisor Susan Gorin: Susan.Gorin@sonoma-county.org

- 3. 2nd District Supervisor David Rabbitt: David.Rabbitt@sonoma-county.org
- 4. 3rd District Supervisor Chris Coursey: district3@sonoma-county.org
- 5. 4th District Supervisor James Gore: district4@sonoma-county.org
- 6. 5th District Supervisor Lynda Hopkins: district5@sonoma-county.org
- 09:43:12 From Erica Hurtado : Work Groups Document:
- https://docs.google.com/document/d/1746pRfsI211mW943Txo4K2rr-r niT8lz0jM63i4uvg/edit?usp=sharing
- 09:44:28 From Erica Hurtado: Link to Action Plans/PDF of prior year plans:
- https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1cRSIPq9eHwqfeKw2JmFzulA6kZRx-wLI?usp=sharing
- 09:48:16 From Susy Marrón (she/her/hers/ella) to Erica Hurtado (Direct Message): Vivian wants to join Higher education breakout room
- 09:49:59 From Steven Worker: Is there not a data / evaluation group?
- 10:20:01 From Norine Doherty (she/her): @Melanie, Re: ARPA-you can ask questions and have voice heard by emailing ARPA@sonoma-county.org. We've had several people submit additional Town Hall feedback that way. Their feedback is being analyzed and themed along with the facilitator notes from Town Halls and will move forward that way to the Equity Work Group to be considered when setting funding priorities. The ARPA RFP for NPOs will be released in late Jan 2022
- 10:22:27 From Norine Doherty (she/her) : Thank you for leading us, Bryan!
- 10:23:28 From Norine Doherty (she/her): Wages need to be more competitive
- 10:23:34 From Susy Marrón (she/her/hers/ella) to Erica Hurtado (Direct Message): From Vivian: Hi Susy, I have been loosely connected with the higher ed group before joining CCPC. Currently, I am not officially listed under this work group. Do I need to let you know to be officially added?
- 10:24:03 From Erica Hurtado to Susy Marrón (she/her/hers/ella) (Direct Message) : I will add her. Awesome!
- 10:24:12 From Susy Marrón (she/her/hers/ella) to Erica Hurtado(Direct Message) : Thanks!
- 10:24:28 From Kathy Kelley Early Learning Institute: Bryan I love the idea of a massage or other concrete self-care/wellness gift or maybe a stipend to use toward one's wellness.
- 10:27:26 From Susy Marrón (she/her/hers/ella) : Thanks, Terry!
- 10:28:21 From Bryan Clement (he, him, his): Thanks, Kathy . . . not only giving the resources, but also the gift of time to do the practice or thing. Just a bunch of dreamers here  $\P$
- 10:29:35 From Bryan Clement (he, him, his): Hi All, need to jump off for another call. Always a pleasure, and welcome Steven!
- 10:29:51 From Susan Langer: I was thinking that we need to coach the folks with self-care. They need ongoing check ins
- 10:30:22 From Bryan Clement (he, him, his): Check out our new 'Introductory Handouts' in our free resources:) https://dovetaillearning.org/free-open-education-resources/
- 10:30:30 From Missy Danneberg: I am just starting to think about Evening of Honor in the spring. Maybe picnic in the park and it would be great to incorporate some of the self care/wellness ideas! Let me know if you'd be interested in planning this event.

10:31:05 From Jason Riggs: I need to leave now. Thank you everyone! Have a great weekend. 10:31:18 From Erica Hurtado : Link to Action Plans/PDF of prior year plans: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1cRSIPq9eHwgfeKw2JmFzulA6kZRx-wLI?usp=sharing 10:31:43 From Erica Hurtado : In Kind Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdC\_v21\_SLS8I7s90G04y4uiAudE67QLyb-cChj07x\_PH6T\_A/viewform?usp=sf\_link 10:31:53 From Erica Hurtado : Meeting Feedback Form: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe2b0fmuUchrDu ntYfKjLYqLUfTyOv5uGkqqo-X0Hx Xm5Cw/viewform?usp=sf link 10:32:19 From lsteinma: Thank you! 10:32:20 From Yajuan (Vivian) Xiang: Thank you! 10:32:25 From Jasmine Yung : thank you for having me



#### **RESOLUTION**

RESOLUTION FINDING THAT, AS A RESULT OF THE CONTINUING
COVID-19 PANDEMIC STATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARED BY GOVERNOR
NEWSOM, MEETING IN PERSON FOR MEETINGS OF THE CHILD CARE
PLANNING COUNCIL OF SONOMA COUNTY WOULD PRESENT IMMINENT RISKS
TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ATTENDEES

**WHEREAS**, CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL OF SONOMA COUNTY, a California local governmental agency formed under the Child Care and Development Block Grant of 1991, conducts its meetings in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act (Brown Act) under Government Code section 54950 et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the Brown Act requires all public meetings of local agencies to be publicly noticed in locations where members of the local body will be participating, that such location be open and accessible to the public, and at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body must participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local body exercises jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 on March 17, 2020, temporarily suspending certain teleconference requirements imposed by the Brown Act; and

**WHEREAS**, the temporary suspension of Brown Act teleconferencing requirements is set to expire on September 30, 2021, pursuant to the Governor's issuance of Executive Order N-08-21; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 16, 2021, the Governor signed into law Assembly Bill 361 (AB 361), effective immediately, authorizing a local agency to use teleconferencing without complying with the Brown Act teleconference requirements for public meetings during a proclaimed state of emergency, and such state of emergency still exists; and

**WHEREAS**, under AB 361, a local agency may hold a teleconference meeting during a proclaimed state of emergency upon a determination, by majority vote, that as a result of the emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 22, 2021, the Sonoma County Public Health Officer states that each local government agency is authorized to determine whether to hold public



meetings in person, online (teleconferencing only), or via a combination of methods; and

**WHEREAS**, the Governor of California has declared there to be a state of emergency through the end of 2021; and

**WHEREAS**, such findings must be made no later than 30 days after the first teleconferenced meeting pursuant to AB 361, and every 30 days thereafter, in order to continue to meet by teleconference under such abbreviated teleconferencing procedures; and

**WHEREAS**, in the interest of public health and safety, as affected by the emergency caused by the spread of COVID-19, the CHILD CARE PLANNING OF SONOMA COUNTY deems it necessary to find that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees, and thus intends to invoke the provisions of AB 361 related to teleconferencing;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL OF SONOMA COUNTY Council Members find as follows:

The facts stated in the recitals above are true and correct, and the Council Members so finds, orders, and determines.

The Council hereby resolves and determines that meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees and will continue to hold its meetings by teleconference pursuant to AB 361.

This resolution shall become effective as of October 1, 2021, and shall apply to meetings of the Council and meetings of all standing committees and workgroups.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED** this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October 1, 2021, by the following vote:

AYES: Renee Whitlock-Hemosouvanh, Rebecca Hachmyer, Jason Riggs, Cathy Vaughn, Terry Ziegler, Missy Danneberg, Kathleen Kelley, Heather Sweet-Krikac, Sonya Valiente, Alice Hampton, Susan Langer, Chris Sorg

NAYS:

**ABSTAIN:** 

ABSENT: Bryan Clement, Soledad Figueroa, Gina Fortino Dickson, Megan Hede, Lisa Bell, Lisa Grocott, Margie Vondrak



Rebecca Hachmyer, CCPC Co-Chair

Date: 10/11/2021

Renee Whitlock-Hemsouvanh, CCPC Co-Chair

Attest:

DocuSigned by:

Erica Hurtado

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CERTIFICATION

I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a

resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the CHILD CARE PLANNING COUNCIL OF SONOMA COUNTY, held on the 1st day of October 2021.

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