

CITY OF SAN JOSÉ EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION COMMISSION
Commission Meeting Report
March 23, 2009

Present: Chair Kirby, Vice Chair Smith, 2nd Vice Chair Persson,
Commissioners: Cruz, Joglekar and Maeda

Absent: Commissioners Curran, Goodman, Mani, Tomalinas and Venkat

Staff:

Rosanne Alonzo, Office Specialist,
Early Care and Education

A. Call to Order and Roll Call (7:02 p.m.)

1. Orders of the Day

Action: No changes

B. Recommendations

1. Approval of the February 23rd Synopsis.

Action: Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve
seconded by Commissioner Persson. Motion
passed unanimously .

C. Report from City Council Liaison, Vice-Mayor Judy Chirco

Diana Miller reported that the City's budget process will be released on the City's website as well as Vice-Mayor, Judy Chirco's website. Diana notified the Early Care and Education Commission about the Commissioner Recognition Event at City Hall. She also mentioned the Month of the Young Child Proclamation will be held on April 7th at City Hall at 1:30pm. The Outstanding Contributor Recognition will also be held at City Hall on April 21st at 6:00pm. Diana informed the Commission that she has met with Delores Mellon, the new Redevelopment Agency staff for child care. Diana suggested the Commission invite Delores to conduct a presentation in June.

D. Open Forum

A member of the public raised a concern regarding the street address of the Martin Luther King Jr. Library not being visible on the building.

E. New Business

1. Local Early Education Planning Council Presentation
 - Michael Garcia, Staff Liaison and Mayra Cruz, LPC Board

Member

Information only: Michael and Mayra reported on the Santa Clara County Early Care and Education Needs Assessment regarding Family and Child Demographic Trends, Cost and Subsidies, Child Care Demand, Supply and Gaps, Services for Children from Special Populations, Workforce and Education, Community Forums and Future goals.

F. Old Business

1. Work plan review

Information only: Commissioner Kirby reviewed the current Commission work plan and informed the Commission of upcoming events which include the Smart Start Conference, Children's Faire and the Month of the Young Child Proclamation ceremony.

2. Strategic plan committee report

Information only: Commissioner Cruz reviewed the revised strategic plan draft which included the additional input from the stakeholder meeting. [03-09](#)

3. Report on Commissioner Focus Group

Information only: Commissioner Kirby reported that he attended the City of San Jose Commissioner Focus Group meeting. Chair Kirby informed the Commission that he provided plenty of feedback to the related topics of Commission orientation, governance, status and participation.

G. Updates

1. Report on ECE Legislation

Commissioner Kirby reported that Silicon Valley Leadership Group will be conducting a forum regarding stimulus money.

Commissioner Cruz reported on proposition 1D regarding the reduction of First Five dollars. The proposition will need voter approval and will be on the June ballot.

Commission Liaison Reports

1. Library Commission

No report

2. First 5 Commission

No report

3. United Way Partnership for School Readiness

No report

4. Early Education Local Planning Council

Commissioner Cruz informed the Commission that the Local Planning Council will be having a meeting on April 8th at the Santa Clara County Office of Education from 6:30pm to 8:30pm. The meeting will address issues regarding Early Care and Education throughout Santa Clara County.

H. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Cruz announced that she has been appointed to the Evergreen Valley College position of Board of Trustees for District 7.

I. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Next Meeting

April 27, 2009

Martin Luther King, Jr. Library

150 E. San Fernando Street

San Jose, CA 95112

5th Floor, Room 525

7pm- 9pm

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