

ECE advisory committee  
March 10, 2015

Meeting began at 4:07

Members Present: Amy Obegi, Sheila Smith, Tony Ayala, Marion Cowee, Terri Blencowe, Susan Smith, Del Carson, Kathy Lago, Tasha Smith, Becky Billing, Christie Speck, Nadirah Jones, Sabrina Drake

### **I. Approval of Agenda**

Sabrina move to approve agenda Marion seconds

### **II. Approval of Minutes**

March 27th minutes Kathy approved Amy seconded with slight grammar adjustments  
October 14th minutes approved by

### **III. Introductions**

### **IV. Old business**

Change of Treasurer - It was agreed to remove Juwan from the bank account and research a new account. It was also agreed that Tasha Smith and Amy Obegi would solely be on the account.

New Certificates - (samples from other colleges) it was agreed that everyone likes the proposed certificate of accomplishment in ECE.

### **V. New business**

SNAEYC's Role in ECE Graduation Celebration - In prior years graduates have been given a book as a way to encourage membership, which has not happened. There was talk about the circle of children pins instead. We could ask for some funds to support the event instead. Current SNAEYC membership for students is \$55. The fund request form will be sent to Amy for consideration.

CAP Expansion/Curriculum Update - We do not currently offer cap expansion classes. Changing our existing special needs and intervention courses into cap-aligned courses really changes it into 3 classes when looking at section k requirements. Tony is looking for guidance as to how to offer the courses. The final recommendation is to find someone to teach 55 change 56 so that it is more inclusive and hold off on the special needs class.

Advertising - The schedule was in the SFCS newsletter and to cares participants. As of July 1 TK teachers must have 24 units in ECE. Existing teachers will be grandfathered in. The recommendation of the committee is to keep night classes at 6:30 so that providers that get off work at 6:00 are able to make it to class.

CSU Sacramento Meeting – Representatives from Sac State will be in room 1625 on April 16th at 5:00 to talk to students about their program.

## **VI. College Program Reports**

Adjunct Hiring - There is a pool of applicants that they will begin reviewing. There is a hope that they will have a larger adjunct faculty pool beginning in the fall.

Online Offerings – The department is trying to offer more CDFS courses online. Currently only 38 and 70 are offered online. CDFS 40 is in the works to be offered online Fall 2015. CDFS 50 is on track to be offered Spring 16.

Retreat - The retreat is this Sunday at Janet Gonzalez Mena's house for both full time and adjunct faculty. There is expected to be full attendance.

Summer Schedule – The Summer schedule will include 38 online, 50, 62, and 70.

Fall Schedule - Nutrition 54 will be taught in person this Fall, special needs at night, and adult supervision will be offered in the Spring.

Correspondence Course - It's currently over enrolled since it began February 24th. There have been some bumps.

Curriculum Changes – Deletions for 67, 200 and 550 have been submitted. It was agreed to wait on 39. The department is waiting to hear back from Sac State about accepting 38 instead of students needing 70.

SCC Children's Programs- It's been a tough year financially. There may be some changes that will only minimally affect children. Sharon Miranda and Yvonne Dillard have left and there are interims in those positions. Name change ideas will be circulated so that the group can give their input.

Mentor Program – It is still a small group. Keri Powell resigned from her position to take on a faculty position. Denise will be retiring soon and that will leave only 1 mentor, Katherine. Beth Kaufman has stepped down from the Director Seminar and Tony has taken over facilitating the group.

CDTC – Thirty-nine students applied for the Fall semester stipend for a total of 337 units. Textbook loans are still high in demand and many people are picking up permit packets, however the CDTC expects to run out of funds to cover permit application fees early this year. The coordinators meeting will be held in early October in conjunction with the CAEYC/EESD Professional Development Forum.

ECE Conference Update – The keynote will be Sandy Goldman "Everyone has a Heritage". The committee is going to purchase some sandwich boards and is looking for committee members. The Conference is Saturday, September 26th. This year it will not be offered as a unit bearing class.

ECE Scholarship – Last year 2 scholarships were given to Dustin and Cynthia. Christie and Sabrina will need to give up managing the scholarship. Tony and Amy will take over the responsibility.

Other College Business – None

## **VII. Community Partners Programs and Resources**

Professional Program Update - There is no longer a dedicated general education counselor contracted by cares. The contract was never signed by the college.

First 5 – Is still waiting to see how the program will change for the new year. They should hear sometime in April.

SFCS – There are new agency brochures and changes to the newsletter. This year they were approved for ASQ and ASQ 3 and Business Practices by Cares. They also have a partnership with Child Start Inc. for family childcare providers to offer services in their home for children who are receiving a voucher.

Child Start Inc. – They will be expanding 72 slots for children 0-3 with centers and family childcare providers for an increase of 1.4 million. They have also applied for CSPP slots and are still waiting to hear about their renewal grant.

SNAEYC - Looking for a president elect, policy chair and secretary. Positions begin July 1st.

Solano County Licensed Family Childcare Association - Members hope to participate in new Child Start Inc. relationship that will be happening later this year.

Solano QRIS – Will be putting together a consortia. They plan to meet next week to vote if they will use the existing matrix. Then will begin rating. There will be some money in April they can apply for.

Solano County Library – No Report

Next meeting October 20th  
Meeting adjourned 6:04 pm