

Tulare County Council on Child & Youth Development
Events Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 25, 2025, 10:30am-12:00pm
Tulare County Office of Education Early Childhood Education Program
7000 Doe Ave. Visalia, CA 93291
Sycamore Conference Room & Zoom

Committee Members Present: Rebecca Della, Cheri Doria, Terri Gardner-Martinez, Barbara Newman, Christina Osorio, Victoria Rodriguez, Christina Saucedo, Amy Sullivan, Blanca Luna (staff) and Samantha Terry (staff).

Committee Members Not Present: Elvira Barron, Stephanie Caldera, Lorena Castillo, Sherri Glenn

Agenda Item	Topic	Minutes
1. Call to Order	Welcome & Introductions	The meeting was called to order at 10:35am by Mrs. Terry and introductions were conducted. Mrs. Terry asked the committee for another Co-Chair to assist Mrs. Rodriguez but no one volunteered. This will be discussed at the next scheduled meeting.
2. Public Comments		No Public comments were made.
3. Action Items a.	January Committee Meeting Minutes	Ms. Saucedo motioned to approve the minutes. Ms. Rodriguez second the motion. No objections. Abstentions: Christina Osorio, Barbara Newman, Terri Gardner-Martinez, Amy Sullivan and Rebecca Della. Minutes are approved.
4. Committee Discussion a.	Committee Goals & Objectives	The subcommittee reviewed the Objectives and Goals that were created at the January 2025 Strategic Planning meeting. The committee made some slight additions to the objectives and goals to reflect what the committee wants to accomplish.
4. Committee Discussion b.	25/26 Council Meeting Dates	The committee finalized the 25/26 meeting dates. The calendar invites will be sent out soon to ensure they are on everyone's calendar.
4. Committee Discussion c.	Inclusion Event Debrief	The committee discussed the 2025 Annual Inclusion Collaborative Event. Mostly positive feedback from the committee aside from the large number of participants that attended beyond the seating capacity. The committee discussed multiple options to do next year to ensure that does not happen again. It was also suggested to have two people being runners with the audience ask questions during the panel discussions. It was also suggested to highlight the outcome from the previous event at the 2026 event so participants see the changes/improvements. The committee also discussed potential speakers and Mrs. Terry informed the committee she will send out information regarding the speaker that was suggested. More planning will take place at the upcoming committee meetings.

4. Committee Discussion d.	Legislative Event	Mrs. Terry informed the committee that the date that is reserved at Mooney is Thursday October 16th. However, she suggested that the date be moved this fiscal year, on a trial basis, to a Friday to see if more Legislators or their representatives attend in person as that is a better day for that audience. The committee agreed and Mrs. Terry and Mrs. Luna will look for venues for a Friday. Mrs. Terry shared the idea that she discussed with Mrs. Sullivan and Mr. Sonnenfeld on how to engage the medical professionals this year and share the connection between healthcare and ECE. Potential speakers were discussed and the committee agreed with the selection in speakers, if within the council budget. Mrs. Terry and Mrs. Luna will seek out prices for potential speakers and share updated information when it becomes available.
4. Committee Discussion e.	Event Marketing Items	The committee discussed potential marketing items for future events that include water bottles (plastic), tissue packs, pens, earbuds with logo, wireless chargers/ portable batteries, and recyclable bags. Mrs. Terry and Mrs. Luna will investigate items and work to get some items ordered.
4. Committee Discussion f.	Event Sponsorships	Mrs. Terry shared with the committee that she would like to have the council start seeking sponsorship for their annual events due to changes in future budgets that will not allow the council to pay for these events in the future. However, the council wants to continue providing these advocacy events for Tulare County. It was mentioned that Mrs. Terry needs to confirm with TCOE that this is allowed and the process to go about seeking sponsorships. Mrs. Terry shared the sponsorship from the CAPC conference and asked the committee to think of other businesses and contacts that can be shared with her when this becomes available. More information will be discussed at the upcoming meetings.
5. Adjournment		The meeting was adjourned at 11:45am.

Next Scheduled Council Meeting: Thursday, May 1, 2025, from 2:00pm-3:30pm. This needs to be reviewed and future meeting dates TBD.