Early Childhood Council of Kern

March 3, 2021 Meeting

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will hold our meeting via Zoom and not at the Larry E. Reider building. To join the meeting, you must call the following number:
Call-In Number: +1 877 853 5257
Meeting ID: 237 903 7072
Link to meeting via Zoom: https://kcsos.zoom.us/j/2379037072

5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Executive Committee Meeting via Zoom
March 17, 2021 5:00 p.m.

Kern Early Stars Evening Consortium Meeting via Zoom
March 11, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Agenda

5:30 – 5:35  1. Call to Order
   • Introductions

5:35 – 5:40  2. Reading of Council Mission Statement

5:40 – 5:55  3. Open Public Input Session – 2021 Geographic Priorities

5:55 – 6:00  4. Close Public Input Session – Reconvene Early Childhood Council of Kern Meeting

6:00 – 6:05  5. Approval of Consent Items
All items listed with an asterisk are considered to be routine and non-controversial. Consent items will be considered first and may be approved by one motion if no member of the Council or guest wishes to comment or ask questions. If comment or discussion is desired by anyone, the item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered in the listed sequence with an opportunity for any member of the public to address the Council concerning the item before action is taken.

   • March 3, 2021 Agenda*
   • February 3, 2021 Minutes*
   • January 2021 Financial Reports*
      o Foundation Account*
      o Project Account*
      o Workforce Pathways Account*
      o Inclusion Grant*
6:05 – 6:10  6. General Public Comment
This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Council on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Council. Council members may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Council at a later meeting. Also, the Council may take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. Please state your name before making your presentation.

6:10 – 6:40  7. Old Business
• Approval of 2021 Geographic Priorities (*Action Item*)
• Strategic Plan-Review - Goal Two

6:40 – 7:05  8. New Business
• Approval of *Children, Families and Child Care: An Assessment of Their Status and Needs Spring 2020* (*Action Item*)
• Call for Nominations Ad Hoc Committee

7:05 – 7:20  9. Public Policy
• Approval of 2021 Public Policy Platform (*Action Item*)
• Report

7:20 – 7:25  10. Reports
• Committee Reports
• Council Member Reports: Members may make an announcement or a report on their own agency’s activities

7:25 – 7:30  11. Other Business/Announcements
• Reminder – biennial ethics training
• Wendy Wayne Scholarship

7:30  12. Adjournment

**Next Meeting**
March 3, 2021-- 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Zoom meeting
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**Mission Statement**
The Early Childhood Council of Kern is dedicated to advocating for and supporting a community-wide effort which results in a quality early care
and education system that meets the needs of all Kern County families.