

Modesto Junior College  
Child Development Advisory Committee

**Agenda**

Wednesday, March 11, 2015

- **Welcomes and Introductions**
- **Gail Brovont** - Report on CDTC
- **Mickey Boelter** - Report on Modesto City Schools
- **Heather Haubrich** - Report on SCOE
- **Cathy Jepson** - Report on "Special Kids"
- **Brenda McDonald** - Report on Children's Crisis Center
- **Linda Barr** - Report on VMRC
- **Debbie Parr Noblitt** - Report on CCCDS
- **Dawn Reece** - Report on Waterford Child Development
- **John Sims** - Report on Children & Families Commission
- **Libby Soria** - Report on CSUS Child Development Center
- **Caroline Dias/Carla Piper** - Report on Brandman University
- **Carol Gossett** - Report on Fresno Pacific University
- **Comments/Questions**

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### **Modesto Junior College**

**Spring 2015**

**(3/11/15)**

Introductions were made as each attendee introduced himself or herself.

- Gail Brovont (CDTC): Right now student applications are coming in throughout the state. Our office is currently processing Career Incentive Grants for four year colleges for staff. Gail brought some copies of the CIG for people and stated that all services are available online. They are pushing for applications for the CIG as they don't want to return the money. They can receive up to \$1500.00 for a small amount of work. They are still processing permits. They are still processing LifeScan reimbursements. CDTC is getting information right now to see who is not going to achieve all of their units and will be returning units so that they can give out the money to campuses that will be over their units.

Race To the Top - a program that they are starting to help with program registry for Child Development. MJC faculty is going to help to process the permits.

Dawn Reece asked which permits they are financing. Gail stated that they are funding the first three levels and people that are going up one permit.

- Mickey Boelter (Modesto City Schools): MCS is finishing their HS Audit. We are in a five year grant cycle for HS. Head Start is looking

for quality compliance. There is incredible pressure on all involved. Instead of the feds coming out every three years, they are now coming out every year. Now it will be OSHA coming out to look at the centers. The State Programs are going to be reviewed in May. Recruitment is starting, they need 1400 children to fill the programs.

- Krishawn Kambel (SCOE) : AB212 is in the process of CLASS training. We just received funding to reimburse TK teachers for classes that need to be taken for their ECE units. They are keeping up with health and safety for the review coming up in 2015-16. They are gearing up for recruitment. They have 2 more program audits to get through.

- Brenda McDonald (Children's Crisis Center): They are at full capacity. They are hiring, so tell everyone that you know. April 18th, they are having an Open House at their main house in Modesto for their families.

- Linda Barr (VMRC): Eligibility for Early Start changed as of January 1st. More children are eligible, as far as developmentally looking at children's level of function. They restored the high risk criteria, children that have a parent with a developmental disability are eligible for Early Start.

- Dawn Reece (Waterford Child Development): Stanislaus Reads program is coming to Waterford. They are partnering with SCOE for a Pathway, part of the ROP Program. They are waiting for a grant to see if the program is going to start. Dawn is retiring in another year. They are coming out to do a supervision plan inspection.

- Mickey Boelter stated that maybe in the supervision classes here at MJC to emphasize supervision at all times.

- Krishawn Kambal stated that licensing is stating that a qualified staff person has to be watching infants/children at all times.

- John Sims (Children & Families Commission): Stanislaus Read is an effort to promote reading above level by grade 3. The three areas of focus are: 1) school readiness, 2) attendance and 3) summer slide. The commission is getting ready to set its budget. The budget is going down and they expect to have three more years of funding. They just had their half day conference.

- Libby Soria (CSUS Child Development Center): The Week of the Young Children is coming up on April 18th at CSUS Stanislaus. They hope to have a great turnout. The Child Development department has a Capstone class that has seniors present their portfolios to the program. Tentatively scheduled for May 20th. Gina Cook just got approval for a Home Visiting course that will be offered at CSUS. Libby stated that the CTC is taking applications for an advisory panel for the Child Development Permit. The panel will be recommending revisions for the CDEV permit matrix.

Patrick Bettencourt stated that this Saturday is New Student Saturday and there will be one in April. If anyone has information that they would like to get out to the community, they could email/send to pass out at these events.

- Elizabeth Facanha/Carla Piper (Brandman University): They have a workshop this weekend on School Readiness. Careers & Mental Health workshop coming up. All workshop information is available on the website. They have two scholarship opportunities available.

They are going through program reviews and have been busy with them. Carla asked SCOE for their Health & Safety information to include in the rewriting of their program.

- Janet Chisler (Sequoia Preschool Academy): She finally has a good set of teachers, she is happy to report.

- Carol Gossett (Fresno Pacific University): Professional development for TK teachers. They have over 30 units in ECE available to TK teachers. They have a certificate available. All classes are available online or they have a cohort option available that meet face-to-face. They have been approved for the Cares+ workshops for Professional Growth at the Merced campus.

Dawn Reece asked how many units TK teachers have to have? TK teachers have to have 24 units in ECE. The law just went into effect (July 1st), and they have 5 years to get the units.

- Sothea Nagal (MeWuk Intern & MJC Student): She is leaving after this semester.

- Pam Guerra-Schmidt (MJC Faculty/Lab): Pam stated that they have increased their hours at the lab. They have a team of staff that are working with the students. They are trying to keep a continuum for the children that need more days of care. Pam stated that she is teaching CLDDV 154 - Adult Relationships & Mentoring for the first time. She has students that are going out to interview directors in the community.

- Cheryl Williams-Jackson stated that she is starting a class called Strategies and Curriculum for Children with Special Needs. Cheryl invited attendees to tour the Toddler Lab before they leave the campus.

- Linda Stephan stated that they are offering the Toddler lab (CLDDV 127) this summer for students that need Infant & Toddler units. They are also offering Care & Education for Infants & Toddlers (CLDDV 122).