

# CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

1025 ESCOBAR STREET  
MARTINEZ, CA 94553



## Meeting Minutes - Draft

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

6:00 PM

Locations: 500 Ellinwood Way, Pleasant Hill | 1203 West 10th. St. Antioch, CA | 300 S.  
27th St. Richmond, CA | Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88006104662>

**Head Start Policy Council**

Agenda Items: Items may be taken out of order based on the business of the day and preference of the Committee

1. Call to order/ Welcome

**Present**

Deanna Carmona, Norma Chayrez, Karen Coleman, Gabriela Gomar Sandoval, Nathalia Hernandez, Yesica Hernandez, Janelle Lafrades, Tu'Liisa Miller, Amy Mockoski, Sinthia Montano, Kimberly Nieve, Porsha Price, Iris Romero, and Torrieanna Washington

2 Wellness Activity

What goal(s) do you have for your child(ren) in 2025?

**3. Correspondence**

**Attachments:**

[ACF OHS IM 24 06-Reporting Child Health and Safety Incidents](#)  
[ACF OHS IM 24 07 Fiscal Year 2025 Monitoring Process for Head Start Recipients](#)

Reviewed Correspondence

4. Public comment on any item under the jurisdiction of the Committee and not on this agenda (speakers may be limited to two minutes).

No Public Comment

5. Parent Recognition of Staff

Recognized the following teachers from Los Arboles

Maria Rios

Reyna Tecero

Lilibeth Balanag

**6. Approval of EHS Budget Revision**

**Attachments:**

[EHS 2023 Budget Revision](#)  
[EHS 2023 Budget Revision SPA](#)

**Approval of Early Head Start Grant revisions for 2023-2024 budget period.**

**Motion: Hernandez**

**Second: Mockoski**

**Aye: Carmona, Chayrez, Coleman, Gomar Sandoval, Hernandez, Hernandez, Lafrades, Miller, Mockoski, Montano, Nieve, Price, Romero, and Washington**

**Result: Passed**

**7. Approval of November 20, 2024 Policy Council Minutes**

**Attachments:**

[PC Minutes 11.20.24](#)

**Approval of November 20, 2024, Policy Council Minutes**

**Motion: Nieve**

**Second:** Lafrades

**Aye:** Carmona, Chayrez, Gomar Sandoval, Hernandez, Hernandez, Lafrades, Miller, Mockoski, Montano, Nieve, Price, Romero, and Washington

**Abstain:** Coleman

**Result:** Passed

## 8. Administrative Reports

**Attachments:** [PC Fiscal reports October 2024](#)  
[Child Nutrition Report Oct and November 2024](#)  
[Program information report January 2025](#)

### Directors Report:

Director welcomed the Policy Council to New Year. Informed that the Community Services Bureau, CSB, received notice from Administration on Children and Families, ACF, on the Full enrollment initiative, which will be presented at the next Policy Council. The notice gave CSB 6 months to meet the full enrollment requirements. One barrier to reaching this goal is lack of teaching staff. CSB has increased salaries and hired a company to assist in recruiting more teachers.

### Heard administrative reports

#### 10. Training- Making Parenting a Pleasure

Ayana McLeod and Kimberly Vega provided a training on Making Parenting a Pleasure, in which parents reflected on what items they would like to ensure their children take into adulthood via a metaphorical suitcase.

#### 11. Heard Site Reports

Heard the following site reports

Los Nogales held a PJ day, Smoothie day, and Movie day in December. The children also various decorated shapes. The teachers break room is awaiting the final approval from the Fire Marshall.

Riverview held a snow day with fake "soap" foam and participated in a Fancy Friday. They held a Fall Fest in November, all the children and families enjoyed spending time together.

#### 12.

**Attachments:** [Parking Lot- vacancy report](#)  
[Everyday Moments](#)  
[Everyday Moments SPA](#)

The next meeting is currently scheduled for February 19, 2025.

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