College of the Redwoods Early Childhood Education Program Child Development Training Consortium Advisory Committee December 6, 2012 - Meeting Minutes

Members Present:

Sydney Fisher Larson, CR ECE Faculty, CDTC Co-Coordinator Michelle Hancock, CR CDC Director, CDTC Co-Coordinator Judi Andersen, Local Child Care Planning Council Erin O'Brien, Changing Tides Family Services Kristie Martinez, Coordinator, TANF CDC Aristea Saulsbury, Teacher/Director, Humboldt Educare Kathy Vitale, Owner/Director Teacher's Pet

Members Absent:

Carissa Bowser-Smith, Family Child Care Association Mary Ann Hansen, First5 Humboldt Diana Herrera, State-Funded Program Director Nancy Hurlbut, HSU Child Development Faculty Helen Love, First5 Humboldt Leah Sanders, Teacher/Director, Children's Cottage Preschool Chris Titus, Northcoast Children's Services Head Start Laura Wyrick, Student Representative

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. After introductions, Sydney Fisher Larson and Michelle Hancock gave a brief summary of the CDTC Program and the CTEA grant.

The committee reviewed and confirmed the reimbursement priorities for Child Development Training Consortium's enrollment reimbursement program for the 2012-2013 year. Given the need for education of providers in the community there was consensus that stipends continue to be given to all eligible students for all courses. The Student Eligibility and Payment Policies for the 2012-2013 academic year will be submitted to CDTC.

Kristie Martinez provided an update of the Mentor Program. There are currently eight mentor teachers and two director mentors. We are anticipating a large ECE 10 – Practicum class for spring 2013 and assume that the mentors will be very busy in the coming semester. Kristie explained the training opportunities for mentors on the PAS, BAS, and Class tools

Sydney then shared the progress on the Competencies Integration Project (CIP) and the Competencies Self-Assessment Tool (COM-SAT). This led into a discussion of the possibility in the future of a work force registry.

Sydney showed the committee the newly activated Training Portal. The portal is housed on the Child Development Training Consortium web site and will, when completely up and running enable early childhood educators to locate classes and trainings in their communities. Committee members anticipate that this will be a useful tool for their programs. https://www.childdevelopment.org/cs/cdtc/search/tp_e

Since we were on the CDTC web site, Sydney also showed the committee the CAP page which shows the aligned courses at California Community Colleges. This enables directors to determine which courses students have taken and what they still need meet job requirements. https://www.childdevelopment.org/cs/cdtc/print/htdocs/services_colleges_aligned.htm

Sydney reported that the ECE Associate Degree for Transfer (AS-T) is at the California Community College Chancellor's Office awaiting approval.

Sydney shared the draft of the ECE Student Handbook which will be housed on the College of the Redwoods Early Childhood Education Home Page. The handbook has links to information both within the college and in the state (i.e. Community Care Licensing, CTC, etc.) We anticipate the handbook will be on the web site in spring semester.

Sydney and Michelle will be visiting ECE classes in the spring to show students the handbook and to help them understand the importance of declaring ECE as their major

The spring advisory committee meeting was set for May 2, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at teacher's Pet in Eureka.