



CHILD CARE PLANNING & ADVISORY COUNCIL

Black Children & Families Committee | Feb 11, 2025 | 2:00-3:00pm

MEETING NOTES

Participants: *Pat Sullivan, Delia Fitzpatrick, Veronica Figueroa, Arianna Cruz-Sellu, Monique Guidry, Maria Durana, Fanny Wool, Kimberly Jones, Mary Evelyn Thomas, Ravelle Taylor, JeTon Carey*

Welcome/Introductions

Dr Sullivan introduced Delia Fitzpatrick, the new co-chair of the Black Child Committee.

Symposium for Best Practices for Black Children and Families

Focus of the symposium is for people who are serving Black children to share best practices and what is working within their agency.

Delia and Monique reached out to Black ECE – Black providers throughout the State.

<https://blackece.org/>

Black ECE talks about advocacy, creates culturally affirming spaces, professional development and might do a light version during our symposium.

<https://blackece.org/professional-development-institute/>

They also shared a spreadsheet with estimated costs for the symposium – between \$7,000-8,500. The hope is to ask CPAC member agencies/organizations for contributions to the symposium.

Venues:

Look at dates last few weeks of May. 17th or 31st.

Suggested we show the Black Boys Film. Venue has to be able to do that.

Google space is also a good space for events and it's free for the community.

<https://communityspace.withgoogle.com/in-space/>

Budget and Funding:

Delia and Monique came up with a budget \$7,000-8,500.

Ask for donations from CPAC Membership. Follow-up with Yensing.

Who is the key audience?

Administrators, teachers, program directors, center managers, coaches.

They have direct influence over development and work culture of an agency.

Get the two groups talking with an interactive session.
Special culture-affirming space for Black educators

Brainstorm Questions/Timing for CPAC Member Organizations Survey

[Draft of Questions](#)

Waiting for SEQUAL survey to be done at end of Feb 2025.

If we can narrow down our questions in March 2025 – we can send it to 25 CPAC Members.

April to digest the info from the survey.

May symposium.

NAME OF THE BLACK CHILDREN COMMITTEE:

“Ad hoc” means a committee is temporary. The Black Children Committee all voted that they would like the Executive Committee to consider making it a regular committee.

Originally started as the “African American Children Ad-Hoc Committee”, it changed to “Black” to include Jamaican, Dominican, Haitian, etc families.

Adjournment

ACTION ITEMS:

Monique – ask Yensing about how to pursue funding for the Symposium

Maria – will look at Rec and Park facilities – 50 people, at tables.

Pat and Delia -Discuss which data to ask for, then ask Wei-Min for the data about Black children and educators.

Cheryl, Easter, Monique, Delia – work on agenda for the symposium.

Melanie – add jcarey@glide.org to the group

Melanie – add question of “ad hoc” committee to next Executive Committee agenda

Next Black Ad Hoc Committee Meeting: Tuesday, Mar 11, 2025 from 2:00-3:00pm