

## ASI Children's Center Parent Advisory Council (PAC) Minutes

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**MEETING DATE:** March 7, 2022

**MEETING LOCATION:** Children's Center Bambini 1

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sherry Velte, Sandra Gallardo, Theresa Gropp, Faith Soltero, Haley Myers Dillon, Katie Swedo (Chair), Chelsea Owens, Emily Duesbury, Bena Arao, Nancy Lopez

**VISITORS:**

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### A. Call Meeting to Order & Approve March Minutes

- The meeting was called to order by Katie Swedo at 12:02 pm
- The March minutes were unanimously approved by PAC members present

### B. Current Center Updates

#### 1. Enrollment

- 139 children enrolled in the center
  - 101 children receive subsidy
  - 15 children receive the staff/faculty rate
  - 17 children receive the student rate
  - 6 children receive the student rate as an ASI employee benefit

#### 2. Child Care Rates

- The center needs to increase child care rates
- Current rates are lower than market value with a higher quality program
- Previous increases to child care rates
  - January 2021 - the student rate was increased by 10%
  - May 2020 - the staff/faculty rate was increased to align with the subsidy child care rate
- The subsidy standard reimbursement rate increased 4% from the 2020/2021 fiscal year to 2021/2022 fiscal year
- Discussion of possible rate increases
  - Increase staff/faculty rates by 10% effective fall 2022
  - Increase staff/faculty rates in tiers from 10-15% effective fall 2022
  - Increase staff/faculty rates to the full subsidy child care rate over two years
    - Half the increase effective fall 2022 and the other half effective fall 2023

### C. Open Discussion

- PAC members requested more time to review the information
  - A separate meeting is scheduled to vote on a recommendation for child care rate increases
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Adjourned at 12:58 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, March 14, 2022 via Zoom