

The Water Cooler

Bubble Up Report

Date: February 26, 2010

RE: **MONDAY, March 1st** – LAST DAY TO REGISTER ONLINE for the First 5 California and the Water Cooler Joint Symposium, March 9-10, 2010

Pre-registration for the First 5 California and the Water Cooler Joint Conference will close on Monday, March 1. Onsite registration will be available both conference days, March 9 and 10. Registration fees will remain \$200 if attending both days, \$120 if attending the First 5 Conference on March 9, and \$80 if attending the Water Cooler Conference on March 10.

Good news! The lodging reservation cut-off date has been extended at the Sheraton Grand Sacramento Hotel! The \$84 (single-occupancy) government rate is now available through Friday, February 26. Call 1-800-325-3535 and mention that you are attending the "First 5 California and the Water Cooler Joint Conference."

REGISTER NOW:

https://www.cce.csus.edu/conferences/webreg/Register_first5_2010a.cfm?CID=693

Full Agenda for First 5 California and Water Cooler Joint Symposium is available at:

<http://www.cce.csus.edu/conferences/first5/10/docs/Program%20Guide.pdf>

**MARCH 10, 2010 WATER COOLER CONFERENCE:
STRONGER TOGETHER: Expanding the Larger Education
Conversation**

**WATER COOLER SPONSORED CONFERENCE
ACTIVITIES:**

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

**5:00 pm – 6:30 pm RECEPTION HOSTED BY WATER
COOLER HONORING PARENTAL ENGAGEMENT**

Welcome:

Molly Munger, Co-Director
Advancement Project

**Honorees from parental engagement
groups:**

Lucia Diaz, Chief Executive Officer, Mar
Vista Family Center,
introduced by **Sandy Escobedo**, Deputy
Field Director, Los
Angeles Preschool Advocacy Initiative,
California Community
Foundation

Claudia Zamorano, Parent Voices,
introduced by **Patty Siegel**,
Executive Director, California Child Care
Resource & Referral
Network

Introductory Remarks:

Ted Lempert, President
Children Now

Remarks:

Joan Blades, Co-founder
Moms Rising and MoveOn.org

The Honorable Lynn Woolsey
U.S. House of Representatives

Wednesday, March 10, 2010

8:45 am – 9:00 am WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Kris Perry, Executive Director
First 5 California

9:00 am – 10:15 am BREAKFAST WITH CHAMPIONS

Moderator:

Susie Buffett, Founder
Buffett Early Childhood Fund

Champions:

Sherry Lansing, Founder
Sherry Lansing Foundation, Former CEO of
Paramount
Pictures

Deidre Lind, Executive Director
Mattel Philanthropy Programs & Mattel
Children's Foundation

Ken McNeely, President
AT&T California

The Honorable Barbara O'Brien
Lt. Governor, Colorado

Joyce Walters, Director
Education and Workforce Initiatives, The
Boeing Company

10:15 am – 11:00 am Introductory Remarks

The Honorable Jack O'Connell
Superintendent of Public Instruction

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:
Fulfilling the Promise:
Preparing Children for School
Through Early
Learning Partnerships with K-
12**

Barbara T. Bowman, Chief Officer,
Office of Early Childhood
Education, Chicago Public Schools;
Irving B. Harris Professor of
Child Development; Former Advisor
on Early Education to the
Secretary of Education

**11:00 am – 12:30 pm LEVERAGING EDUCARE AS A
PLATFORM FOR POLICY CHANGE**

Moderator:

Portia Kennel, Executive Director
Bounce Network

Panel:

Charlotte Brantley, President and CEO
Clayton Early Learning

Gladys Montes, Vice President of United
Way Center for
Excellence in Early Education, Miami
Educare

Elliot Regenstein, Partner,
EducationCounsel LLC;
former Co-Chair, Illinois Early Learning
Council

**12:30 pm – 1:15 pm NETWORKING LUNCH WITH
SPECIAL GUESTS**

The Honorable Tom Torlakson, California
State Assembly,
Candidate for Superintendent of Public
Instruction

Larry Aceves, Candidate for
Superintendent of Public
Instruction

1:15 pm – 2:45 pm **FINDING THE MONEY: WILL
CALIFORNIA STEP UP?**

Opening Commentary:
John M. Hein, Political Consultant
Hein, Cherry and Attore

Moderator:
Molly Munger, Co-Director
Advancement Project

Panel:
The Honorable Julia Brownley (invited)
California State Assembly

The Honorable Carol Liu
California State Senate

Lenny Mendonca, Senior Partner
McKinsey & Company

Lori Easterling, Manager of Legislative
Relations,
California Teachers Association

Fred Silva, Senior Fiscal Policy Advisor
California Forward

2:45 pm – 4:00 pm **FINDING THE MONEY: WILL THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT STEP UP?**

Moderator:
Catherine Atkin, President
Preschool California

Panel:
Sonya Anderson, National Director
First Five Years Fund

Nancy O. Andrews, President and CEO
Low Income Investment Fund

Danielle Ewen, Director of Child Care and
Early Education
Policy; Center for Law and Social Policy
(CLASP)

Jessica Smith, Deputy Director,
Department of Organization
and Field Services, American Federation of
Teachers

4:00 pm – 5:30 pm **CLOSING RECEPTION HOSTED BY**
WATER COOLER

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