

2015 State Policy Update *Increasing the ASES daily rate*

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Discussion Overview

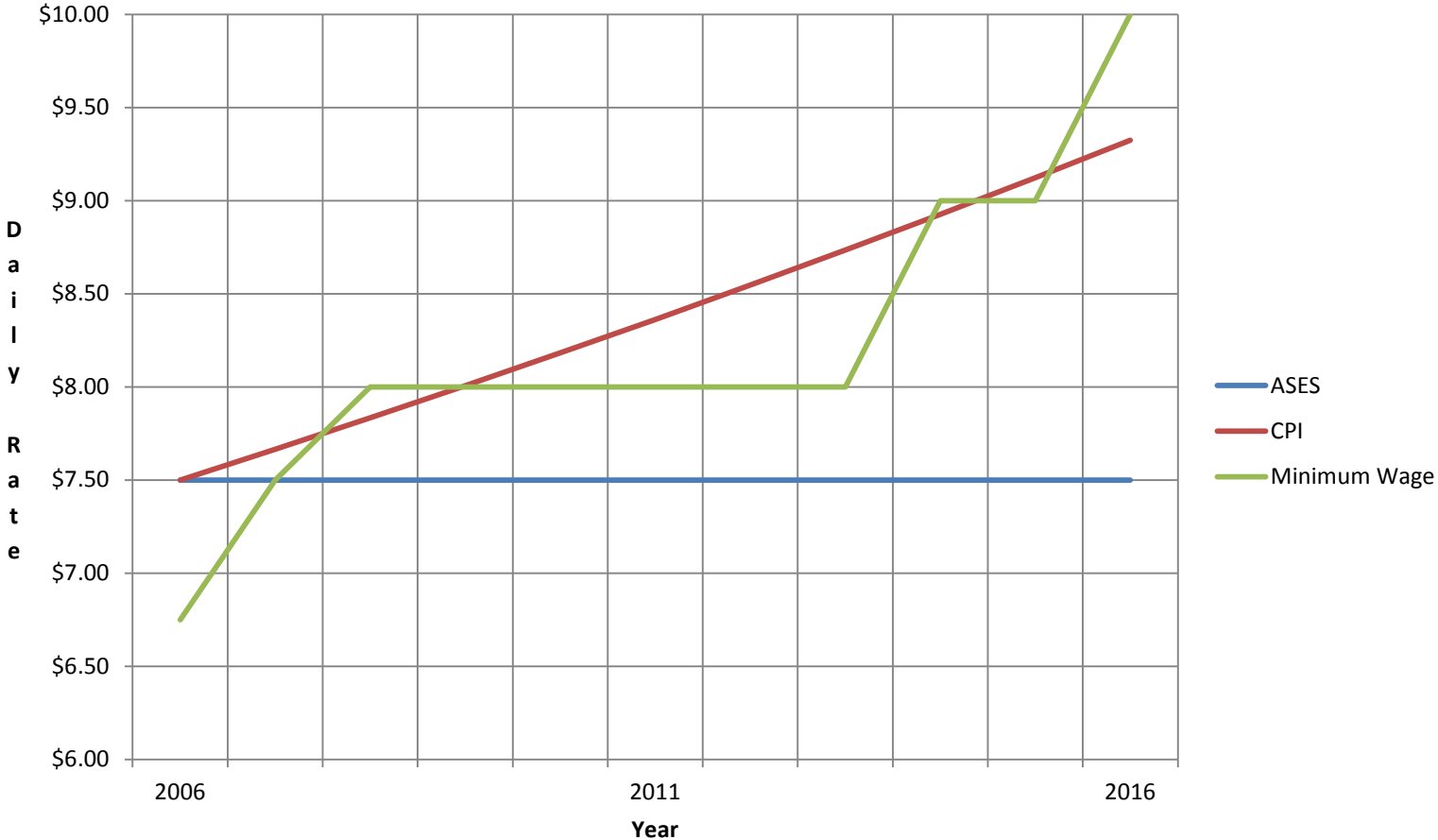


- Goals:
 - 1) to increase awareness about the rate increase effort
 - 2) to secure buy-in and input from a diverse base of ASES providers
- Presentation : Overview of 2015 Statewide ASES increase effort
- Next Steps
- Q/A
- Small group discussion

Background: The Problem



Daily Rate vs. Min Wage/Inflation



Background: The Problem



- Survey goal: deeper and broader understanding of impact of flat daily rate
- **588 respondents**; representing over 300 districts
- Key Findings:
 - 89% of programs experiencing negatively impacted by current daily rate
 - Staffing issues #1 challenge
 - Reduction in quality of services

Background: The Problem

We have had to cut our coordinators back to a part-time position...impacting the quality of staff we can attract and ability to partner with the school day

We are paid less than an untrained babysitter but expected to provide comprehensive enrichment and academics for students with a range of needs

We dumpster dive in the recycling bins in the copy room for art supplies



Waitlist of is twice the amount of student we have enrolled...parents have a desperate need for programs

Policy Efforts—ASES Daily Rate



1. SB 645 (Hancock, D - 09)

- Need: Impact of increased state minimum wage and paid sick leave
- *What did the bill do?*
 - Increase ASES daily rate by .50 for every \$1 increase in the minimum wage – resulting in an additional \$72 million ASES program funding
 - Add a statutory COLA beginning in 2017-18
- *Sponsors: California Afterschool Coalition and Partnership for Children & Youth*

2. Assembly and Senate Budget Subcommittee #1

- Assembly Chair Kevin McCarty (D- 07)
- Senate Chair Marty Block (D-39)

Policy Wins



- Assembly proposed budget included \$50 million increase to ASES
- Legislative proposed budget submitted to Governor included \$25 million increase
- 588 surveys were completed in only 2 weeks, representing 300+ school districts
- Field support - 120 individuals representing 86 after school providers, schools, districts, CBOs, cities, and advocates
- Strong bipartisan support - 63 Members of the Legislature supported efforts to support

Policy Challenges



- Resentment toward Prop 49
- Lack of awareness in the Legislature
- Governor's position: Principle of Subsidiarity and LCFF
- LCAPs reference expanded learning but don't invest new \$\$\$ - ASES programs are viewed and treated as categorical programs

Next Steps



- 2016 budget efforts
- Ongoing awareness building at Capitol
 - CalSac Challenge, other events
- Securing allies and supporters
- Collecting compelling information and data – year 2 ASES daily rate survey data
- Build field awareness, engagement, and buy-in

LA's Legislative Leadership

Senate Pro-Tem Kevin DeLeon
(Los Angeles)

Speaker-elect Anthony Rendon
(Lakewood/Lynwood)

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- 1) For those that did track and/or take action which outreach was the most useful? A) Survey and results B) Enews blasts/updates, C) Draft letters to members, D) Bill factsheets, E) CalSac challenge, E) other**

- 2) If you were not involved, what were the biggest challenges/barriers to being involved? A) Lack of staff capacity, B) Organization/LEA not allowed to do policy/advocacy, C) Not enough awareness/information on the issue, D) Not a relevant/important issue to my work, E) other**

Discussion Questions



Building up for 2016

- 1) What messages/data points are the most important? What should be the priorities
- 2) What tools/strategies would be the most useful to increase the field's engagement ?

Choose top 3 priorities

- Messages and data
- Tools/strategies

THANK YOU!!!

- Sign-up for updates on ASES increase effort:

[Tinyurl.com/sb645](https://tinyurl.com/sb645)

- Contact information: jessica@partnerforchildren.org
- Link to resources referenced:
<http://partnerforchildren.org/what-we-do/policy-advocacy/sb645/>