

**KANSAS INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL ON
EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES**

**August 5th, 2005
Teleconference**

Welcome and Introductions

Members Present:

Ellen Mellard, Chair, NE KS Education Service Center
Sharon Hixson, Russell Child Development Center
Carolyn Nelson, (representing Secretary Bremby)
Dr. Dave Lindeman, University of Kansas
Regents Representative
Maria Martinez, Parent Member

Non-Members Present:

Eric VanAllen, SRS
Karen Snell, Families Together
Doug Bowman, Coordinator
Patty Miller, Staff

Members Not Present:

Margy Hornback, KSDE (Commissioner Tompkins Representative)
Susan Adams, Service Provider Member
Jennifer Crow, Governor's Representative
Alice Womack, SRS (Secretary Daniels Representative)
Robert Tomlinson, KS Insurance Dept (Commissioner Praeger Representative)
Thomas Kohmetscher, Service Provider Member
Mark Tremaine, Parent Member
Richard Martinez, Parent Member
Karla Kenton, Parent Member

Approval of May, June and July 2005 Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Ellen Mellard, Chair. There was not a quorum. Therefore, unable to approve the May, June and July ICC meeting minutes

ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	DEADLINE
There was NOT a quorum to approve the May, June and July ICC Minutes.	Patty Miller	

PUBLIC FORUM

Maria stated the Developmental Disability Reform Act has had public hearings across the State in Lawrence, Salina, and Wichita. The document is available on the SRS website. The Developmental

Disability Reform Act covers the Medicaid waivers beginning at age 5. Some changes include self direction and definition regarding family members.

The Disability Caucus is scheduled for August 10th, 11th, and 12th, located in Topeka.

2006 GROUP ACTION PLAN

Doug Bowman received five responses from the ICC members on the meeting structure survey. Doug mentioned several responses from the survey regarding the structure of the State ICC meetings:

2 people suggest we continue to meet monthly

3 people suggest meet monthly for the legislative session – less often otherwise

2 people did not like ITV format

3 people did like ITV format

1 person did not like to go out on road, more convenient for others

4 persons are ok with taking meeting on road. One person mentioned as long as there is a quorum.

There were a few minor edits to the 2006 Group Action Plan. These edits will be made.

Doug Bowman is waiting to hear back from the Governor's office regarding the Council appointments. Doug will contact the Governor's office regarding the Council appointments.

Doug stated Senator Carolyn McGinn has been appointed to the Council. She is a Republican from Sedgwick County.

Maria Martinez suggested a letter, and a card of thanks be mailed out to Senator David Haley and Karla Kenton, for participation to the Council.

Ellen Mellard stated a meeting has been set up with KSDE for August 25th, 2005, to discuss the special education funds.

Doug Bowman will make a draft of the Governor's priorities and will circulate to the Council for review.

Doug Bowman mentioned the Part C Coordinators will convene on August 19th, 2005, in Wichita. An Interim Legislative Joint Committee on Children and Family Issues will meet on August 11th, 2005. They will review all services for children birth to five.

Ellen Mellard met with the Early Learning Coordinating Council last week. The Early Childhood Comprehensive System Plan included measuring goals, objectives, and strategies. They addressed

issues such as health insurance, social and emotional development, working with families, and preparing children for school. Later there will be an interactive website where they will post activities, and training. The next meeting will be held August 25th, 2005, at 1:00 pm. Eric VanAllen mentioned early childhood services will be put into a system of care framework. One idea is to integrate and coordinate services across service providers. Members wishing to see the plan should contact Doug Bowman.

Karen Snell, Families Together, stated there will be a conference in Wichita on December 3rd, 2005, and in Overland Park, February 11th, 2006. More information will be on their website.

Dr. Dave Lindeman urged the Council to respond to the Developmental Disability Reform document. Doug Bowman will draft a letter, and will send out to the Council members for review.

Doug Bowman and Ellen Mellard will provide a certificate to Council members in which their terms have expired.

Dr. Dave Lindeman will draft a response for the Council to sign regarding a response from the Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP) in regard to defining placement of children.

ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBLE PARTY	DEADLINE
The draft Strategic Plan will have edits incorporated. The final copy will be sent out to ICC members.	Doug Bowman	September, 2005
Send letter, card, and certificate to ICC members whose terms have expired, to acknowledge their participation to the Council.	Doug Bowman Ellen Mellard	September, 2005
Create a draft of the Governor's priorities, and circulate to the Council for review.	Doug Bowman	September, 2005
Response to the Developmental Disability Reform document. A draft letter will be sent to the Council members.	Doug Bowman	September, 2005
A draft letter to the Council to sign, regarding a response from OSEP in regard to defining placement of children.	Dr. Dave Lindeman Doug Bowman	September, 2005

Contact Governor's office regarding Council appointments.	Doug Bowman	August, 2005
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ADJOURNMENT

The next ICC meeting is scheduled for October 7th, 2005, in Topeka, Kansas at the SRS Learning Center, 2nd & Macvicar, South West East circle Drive South, Building 2600, Room A. The meeting will begin at 1:00PM.