

Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services

DRAFT Meeting Minutes – Topeka, KS
November 19, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Duncan, Chair & Governor's Representative
Pamela Beach, Dept. for Children & Families
David Lindeman, Regents Representative
Sarah Walters, Ks Department of Health & Environ.
Vera Stroup-Rentier, Ks State Dept. of Ed. (phone)
Matthew Connell, Provider Member

NON MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Doug Bowman, Council staff

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Kansas Insurance Department Rep
Representative Valdenia Winn
Senator Elaine Bowers
Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer, Provider
Tammy Scheopner, Parent Member
Melisa Schellhamer, Parent Member

Call to Order: Mrs. Duncan called the meeting to order with a welcome and asked for introductions.

Meeting Minutes: Sarah Walters moved that the October 2014 meeting minutes be approved as written. Dave Lindeman seconded the motion. Meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

Meeting Agenda: Matt Connell made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as amended. Sarah Walters seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Public Forum: None at this time.

Old Business: There was none at this time.

Committee/Work Group Reports:

Executive Committee: Mrs. Duncan reported that this group met on November 12th. The agenda for the Council meeting was set. All of the committees were discussed.

Mrs. Duncan reported that a meeting is being convened in Kansas City on December 5th. The topic will be services provided to children with autism under the new law. We were reminded of the letter that was sent by the Council to all 40 Kansas Senators on this bill last spring. After much discussion, it was noted that Sarah Walters may attend this meeting, if approved by her agency. Mr. Bowman will also attend for the Council and monitor the meeting.

Staff Report: Mr. Bowman noted that his annual job performance evaluation is due in December. Council members will be asked to express their thoughts on his work in an e-mail that Mrs. Duncan will send out in the next week or two.

Website workgroup: No formal report was given. Work continues on the web site. Susan Threinen will be utilized to assist in the writing of content. Another newsletter will be produced soon.

Communication/Collaboration workgroup: The survey of Local ICCs will go out within the next week. We will utilize the web site as a mechanism. This will increase traffic on the web site. (Which has been pretty good)

Research Committee: They had their first meeting last month. Their focus will be upon pre-service training for teachers and other professionals. Research has begun.

SPP/APR work group: This committee met yesterday. Sarah Walters reported that they have been working to revise the plan. Additional information continues to come from our federal partners. Plans are for the committee to meet once more on December 18th.

Agency Reports:

KDHE: Sarah Walters had nothing more to add to her SPP/APR Committee report given earlier.

Insurance: No insurance representative present.

KSDE: No written report was given.

Families Together: No written report was given.

DCF: No written report was given.

Adjournment: The next Council meeting will be January 16, 2014 in Topeka.

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**Kansas Special Education Advisory Council
Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council**

Introductions of Councils members.

SEAC Members Present:

Barbara Kempf	Bryan Wilson	Christina Mann
Debora Howser	Joan Robbins	Marcy Aycock
Matthew Ramsey	Robb Scott	Vicki Smith
Joan Macy	Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer	Lesli Girard
Marvin Miller	Mike Martin	Shawn Mackay
Stacie Clarkson		

State Interagency Coordinating Council Members Present:

Mary Duncan	Matt Connell	Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer
Vera Stroup-Rentier	Sarah Walters	Pamela Beach
David Lindeman	Doug Bowman, staff	

KSDE Staff Present:

Colleen Riley	Jana Rosborough	Kerry Haag
Pat Bone	Laura Jurgensen	Tate Toedman

Guests:

Jane Groff

Social Emotional Development of Young Children And the Role Early Intervention Plays

Sarah Walters- PowerPoint

Janet Newton

Janet Newton – shared Parents as Teachers (PAT) information-Handouts

Personal visits

- Family involvement
- Appropriate behavior for the child
- Family well being is also a piece of the work they do.

Screening of children

- Social emotional as well as developmental
- Identified and referred 1400 children last year.

Group Connections

- Connect parents with each other for supports.
- Bring parents together, monthly, so they can build connections with parents of children of like ages.
- Provides parents an opportunity to see their child interact with other children and adults.
- Connect frequently with community mental health programs.
- Often helps connect families with needed services for the adults.

Sarah Walters

What happens when a child needs a little more support? PowerPoint Tiny K program

- 17 early intervention services are mandated that they be offered
- Individualized family service
- Social/emotional can stand alone as an area of delay when determining eligibility
- Building a partnership with the family to connect them with supports.
- Training for local programs on Autism and developmental delays and Promoting First Relationships

Questions

Connecting families to needed services. Has there been much research and work done on reducing community stressors especially for teen moms?

- Sarah -We do work with teen moms frequently. We do not collect parent birthdates so we don't have any data. We are striving to enhance the opportunities to assist parents.
- Janet-PAT programs are in school districts so we hope our teen moms are still in school so we can reach them. PAT has a specific curriculum for teen parents. Curriculum has recently been revised. Anyone can use the curriculum for teen parents. It is a standalone. Planning to bring a training for teen parents to Kansas in February. Focus would be child development and the adolescent development of the parents. You are invited to attend. More information will be provided.
- Concerns are widespread about the transition piece – part C programs and the referral to part B services and the potential for those children not qualifying for services. This topic and area needs to continue to be addressed.

Update on Family Engagement - Jane Groff, KPIRC Powerpoint and Handouts

- KPIRC is part of the TASN network providing services to schools.
- Link to Social Emotional Development Standards
- <http://www.ksde.org/Agency/DivisionofLearningServices/CareerStandardsandAssessmentServices/ContentAreaM-Z/SchoolCounseling/Social,Emotional,andCharacterDevelopment.aspx>
- Family engagement is key to turnaround in low performing schools.
- Family engagement in Kansas has never been healthier. We are doing great things together.

Update Regarding High Quality Preschool – Vera Stroup-Rentier

PowerPoint

Key Strategies for High Quality Preschool programs and practices

- Emphasis on ages 3-5
- Kansas Early Learning Standards <http://www.ksde.org/Default.aspx?tabid=529>

Homeless Update and Impact on Early Childhood – Tate Toedman

Handouts

- Data handout
 - 261 students reported as homeless in 3-5 grades
 - 1 student reported age 0-3
 - Data is only reported by districts who receive grants. We know that many more districts are serving homeless youth.
 - 155 districts of 286 are serving homeless students
 - 10,378 kids
 - Expectation is that more students this year will be reported as homeless.
 - Our definition in education for homelessness is the broadest definition of any agency.

Document from the National Center for Homeless Education

- Gray portions are the legal aspects. White background is the work that has been accomplished.
- Page 11 Early Care and the Education Landscape shares programs and provisions for services.
- Homeless students are among the most in need of at-risk services.

950 attendees were present at the National Association for the Education of Homeless Children and Youth (NAEHCY) conference three weeks ago. Several sessions focused on early childhood. It was hosted by Kansas and Missouri in Kansas City three weeks ago. The Olathe school district received a national award for their homeless program at the conference.

Issues/questions for the State Agency Staff

- Flyer is available on maternal child health from KDHE. Encourage local communities to participate.

Adjourn

Matt Ramsey made the motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Deborah Howser.

Motion passed

Meeting adjourned at 2:59 pm.