

Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services

Meeting Minutes – Topeka, KS
August 22, 2014

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mary Duncan, Chair & Governor's Representative
Representative Valdenia Winn
Carrie Hastings, Dept. for Children & Families
Matthew Connell, Provider Member
Sharon Hixson, Public Member
Dr. David Lindeman, Regents Representative
Tammy Scheopner, Parent Member
Sarah Walters, Ks Department of Health & Environ.

NON MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Doug Bowman, Council staff

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Kansas Insurance Department Rep
Melisa Schellhamer, Parent Member
Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer, Provider
Senator Elaine Bowers

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

Meeting Minutes: Sharon Hixson moved that the April 2014 meeting minutes be approved as written. Matt Connell seconded the motion. Meeting minutes were approved unanimously. Matt Connell moved that the June minutes be approved as distributed. Tammy Scheopner seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Meeting Agenda: Matt Connell made a motion to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Janet Newton seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Public Forum: None at this time.

Old Business: There was none at this time.

Strategic Plan: The majority of the document was a direct result of the work done at our June 13 strategic planning session. Staff had written a few additional points. These have been reviewed by the committee Chairs, and are added to the document (in the red ink). Tammy Scheopner made a motion to approve the strategic plan as distributed. Matt Connell seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously. Mrs. Duncan applauded the Council on its work, and noted that this was an early approval for this document.

Committee/Work Group Reports:

Executive Committee: Mrs. Duncan reported that this group met on August 12. The agenda for the Council meeting was set. The web site progress was reviewed. The strategic plan document was reviewed. An update was given on the Interagency Agreement. Mrs. Duncan also reported that the Annual Report was completed and recently hand-delivered to the Governor and the state agency heads.

Communication/Collaboration workgroup: They will meet next Friday, August 29. A written report was provided.

Website workgroup: Pamela Beach was not able to join us today. A full report will be given in September. The web site is live, and Council members were encouraged to visit the new web site.

Research Committee: Matt Connell reported for this new committee. They will have their first meeting in October.

SPP/APR work group: Sarah Walters reported that they had their first meeting on Wednesday of this week. Plans are to meet regularly through the next several months.

Agency Reports:

KDHE: Sarah Walters reported that much work continues on the State Performance Plan and an Annual Performance Review (SPP/APR) as just noted.

Insurance: No insurance representative present.

KSDE: Janet Newton noted the written report that was sent out in advance.

Families Together: No report was given.

DCF: No report was given, but one will be prepared for September.

Staff Report: Mr. Bowman gave further details on recent trips to Local ICCs. He visited Wyandotte and Shawnee counties this month. The topic was their possible participation in the Kellogg grant. A brief explanation was given. The focus of the grant is family engagement. More details will be provided at a later meeting.

Mr. Bowman noted that the funding cycle for the Children’s Cabinet has arrived again. The Cabinet has recently released an RFP (Request for Proposal) for the early childhood block grants and the community based child abuse prevention grants. The Cabinet will make decision on funding for these grants later the fall. The Cabinet will also make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature on Children’s Initiative Funds later this year.

Mr. Bowman reported on the Interagency Agreement (or Memorandum of Agreement) that makes possible the funding for all Council activity. Although started in early March of this year, it has been delayed. Completion is expected soon.

Adjournment: The next Council meeting will be the September 26th in Topeka at the DCF Learning Center.

Post on Web site approved minutes, strategic plan, and Annual Report	Council Staff	August 31, 2014