

Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services

Strategic Planning Meeting Minutes – Topeka KS
September 25, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Matt Connell, Chair & Governor's Representative
Stephanie Parkison, Vice-Chair & Dept. for Children & Families
Sarah Walters, KS Dept. of Health and Environment
Barb Dayal, KS State Dept. of Education
David Lindeman, Regents Rep.
Kathy Kersenbrock-Ostmeyer, Provider Member
Tammy Scheopner, Parent Member
Elizabeth Brunscheed-Cartagena, Parent Member
Karen Pahls, Provider Member
Mary Duncan, Past Chair

NON-MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Heather Smith-KDHE Staff
Phoebe Rinkel-KITS
Kelly Jorgensen-KDHE Staff
Barbara Kramer-KDHE Staff
Cathy Lyon-KDHE Staff
Kim Kennedy-DCF Staff
Kathy Johnson-LICC
Doug Bowman-Past Staff

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Lindy McDaniel
Lynnie Krehbiel

Welcome and Introductions: Matt Connell has been appointed as the new Chair and Governor's Representative. Stephanie Parkison from Kansas Dept. for Children & Families is the new Vice-Chair. The Executive Committee is hoping to get the final approval on the hiring of the new staff position. The Committee will keep the Council updated.

Our Mission and the Council's Role reviewed: "The Mission of the Kansas Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services is to ensure that a comprehensive service delivery system of integrated services is available in Kansas to all children with, or at risk of, developmental delays from birth through age five and their families."

Theme for the Year 2016: INCLUSION

Mr. Connell divided the council into 3 brainstorming groups for 20 minutes. All three groups had really great conversations and ideas, all focusing on Inclusion and those areas that are directly related to Inclusion (training, resources, and early literacy, social/emotional, etc.). It was discussed that it will be great timing for this Theme, as the US Dept. of Health and Human Services and the US Dept. of Education recently (9/14/15) came out with a Joint policy statement on Inclusion of children with disabilities in early childhood programs.

Calendar for SICC Meetings:

- 9/25/2015 10:00-3:00 Face to Face Strategic Planning – Topeka, Rasmussen College
- 10/23/15 1:00-4:00 Face to Face – Topeka (TBD)
- 11/17/2015 all day Face to Face w/SEAC (Special Education Advisory Council) – Topeka
- 12/18/2015 1:00-4:00 Conference Call
- 1/22/2016 1:00-4:00 Face to Face – Topeka (TBD)
- 2/26/2016 1:00-4:00 Face to Face – Wichita (TBD)
- 4/22/2016 (TBA)
- 6/17/2016 all day Face to Face Strategic Planning Day – Topeka (TBD)

Committee/Work Group Selection: Looking at the past work groups, it was decided that all groups would continue as committee groups except for the Research Committee. This work can be taken on by the Staff person once he/she is on board. All other work groups are listed below. A motion was made by the Chair to fill the 2 vacant positions in the Executive Committee. Both Karen P. and Elizabeth B. were nominated and accepted their nominations. They were unanimously accepted.

1. Website Committee – Executive Committee will oversee the website with assistance from Sarah W. and KDHE if needed.
2. Communication/Collaboration Committee – Kim K., Kelly J. and Karen P.
Will be meeting at noon before three scheduled SICC meetings (10/23, 1/22, and 4/22) and then as needed. Will be working on getting info/resources (after approval from Exec Committee) out to local ICC's using newsletter, website, email blasts, etc.
3. SPP/APR/SSIP Committee – Sarah W., Kim K., Dave L., Barb D. and Kathy K.
No meeting(s) scheduled. Will convene as needed. Will be getting input from the council at future meetings for the report that is due in January.
4. Family Voices Committee – Tammy S. and Elizabeth B.
Will meet the Wed (10/14, 12/16, 1/14) a week and a half before SICC meetings at 2pm. Will work to bring cultural diversity/personal stories for the newsletter. Will also be available to offer parent opinions/input to other committees as needed.
5. Executive Committee – Matt C., Stephanie P., Mary D., Tammy S., Karen P. and Elizabeth B.
Meetings to be determined.

Awards Presented: Mary Duncan (past Chair) on behalf of the Council, presented Doug Bowman (recently retired Council staff member) with a plaque of appreciation, thanking him for his 25+ years of service to the council. Chairman Matt Connell, on behalf of the Council, then awarded Mary Duncan a plaque of appreciation for her time and service while serving as Chair of the Council. Both Doug and Mary will be missed in those roles but the Council is very appreciative of the time they have served.

Tentative Agenda Items for next meeting: Sarah and Barb to give “tutorial” on meanings of Acronyms and Indicators associated with Part C (0-3 years) and Part B (3-21 years).

Next meeting: will place in Topeka from 1:00-4:00pm on Friday Oct. 23, 2015. Location to be determined.