

Kansas Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services

Meeting Minutes
Topeka, KS
February 19th, 2021
1:00 PM

Members Present

David Lindeman, Chair & Regents Representative
Lisa Collette, Vice-Chair & Insurance Commission Representative
Ann Elliott, Provider Member
Heather Staab, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)
Nichelle Adams, Kansas Dept. for Children and Families (DCF)
Kate Walter, Parent Member
Susan Bowles, Provider Member
Julie Rand, Kansas State Dept. of Education (KSDE)
Alix Kumer, Provider Member
Debbie Deere, Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund (KCCTF)
Gary Henault, KDADS
Lesli Girard, Provider Member (Families Together)
Karen Pahls, Provider Member
Elizabeth Brunscheen-Cartagena, Parent Member
Laurie Schmitt, Parent Member
Alex Red Corn, Public Member
Melinda Kline, Kansas Dept. for Children and Families- Foster Care
Shannon McMahan, Head Start
Jennifer Oborny, Provider Member

Members Not Present

Laci Reamer, Parent Member
Laura Smith-Everett, Parent Member
Liz Long, Medicaid Representative

Nonmembers Present

Kim Kennedy, Kansas Dept. for Children and Families (DCF)

Jordan Christian, SICC Staff Person
Tammy Dreiling, Kid-Link (DSNWK)
Debbie Mai, Rainbows
Debbie Lair, Wyandotte County Infant-Toddler
David Deloach, RCDC
Scott Kedrowski, RCDC
Doug Williams, Lakeshore Learning
Ryan Waldrip, Lakeshore Learning
Maria Torrez-Anderson
Lena Kisner, MCKIDS
Bonny Aureli, KU CPPR

Call to order: Chair Dave Lindeman introduced himself and called the meeting to order with introductions of all present and on the phone (it was noted that there was a quorum).

Meeting Minutes:

The minutes from January 2021 were reviewed and approved with edits.

Shannon McMahon – Made motion to accept agenda

Ann Elliott – 2nd motion

Motion carried – All members voted yes

Meeting agenda:

The agenda for February 2021 was reviewed and approved with edits.

Debbie Deere – Made motion to accept agenda

Lisa Collette – 2nd motion

Motion carried – All members voted yes

Public Comment

None

Child Care and Development FUND (CCDF) Feedback Session- KU CPPR

- The Council was asked multiple questions in regards to child care in Kansas and had the opportunity to provide feedback on each one.

- Conversation centered around lack of child care for children with disabilities. Centers feel they are not properly trained or equipped to handle children with special needs.
- Lack of funding and training for child care center to accept more children with special needs. Discussion on how to incentivize.
- The CCDF Plan is very large and has 7 sections. The SICC focused conversations on Sections 3 and 4.
 - Feedback on other sections can be given via the online survey.
- Webpage devoted to CCDF Feedback efforts (https://kschildrenscabinet.org/ccdf_plan/). This site has:
 - Full calendar of sessions along with registration links for the open/public meetings (not yours)
 - Link to online survey to give feedback on the entire plan
 - Link to the current working DRAFT of the CCDF Plan

Early Childhood Least Restrictive Environment (ECLRE) Committee

- Request for funds to provide stipends/materials to participants of survey and interview process.

Motion to provide the ECLRE Committee with \$3,000 of SICC funds to complete the survey and interview project.

Susan Bowles – Made motion to accept agenda

Shannon McMahon – 2nd motion

Motion carried – All members voted yes

Committee Reports:

Executive Committee – per Dave Lindeman – approved agenda for January meeting. Discussed quarterly newsletters and when they will be implemented.

SPP/APR – per Heather Staab – N/A, already reported.

Early Childhood/Funding Workgroup- per Lisa Collette- written report provided.

Social-Emotional Workgroup – per Karen Pahls- written report provided.

LICC Support and Planning Committee – per Alix Kumer- written report provided.

Agency Reports:

KSDE – per Julie Rand – written report provided.

DCF – per Nichelle Adams – written report provided.
KDHE – per Heather Staab – written report provided.
KDADS- per Gary Henault – written report provided.
KCCTF- per Amy Meek- written report provided.
Insurance – per Lisa Collette – no report.
Families Together – per Lesli Girard – written report provided.
Others –

Other Reports:

Staff – Report provided.
Chair Report – no report.

Adjournment:

Alix Kumer – Made motion to adjourn the meeting
Ann Elliott – 2nd motion

Motion carried – All members voted yes. Meeting adjourned at 3:10 pm.

The next State ICC meeting will be on Friday, March 19th.