

Early Childhood Advisory Council

June 19, 2019

Minutes

Call To Order

The meeting of the Kentucky Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) was called to order at 1:10 pm on June 19, 2019 at the Galt House, Louisville, KY.

Roll Call

The following members were present: Travis Burton, Twila Burdette, Senator Danny Carroll, Anita Dowd, Ay Duvall, Kim Fithian, Paula Goff, Linda Hampton, Amy Hood, Rick Hulefeld, Wayne Lewis, Tamra Parker, Amy Smith, Tiffany Yeast, representing Secretary Derrick Ramsey, John Roden, Sally Shepherd, and Sarah Vanover. The following members were not in attendance: Dreama Gentry and Representative Regina Huff.

Approval of Minutes, April 25, 2019

The Council unanimously accepted the minutes of the April 25, 2019 meeting.

Executive Director’s Update..... Linda Hampton

Linda Hampton, Executive Director of the KY Governor’s Office of Early Childhood welcomed everyone to the 2019 Early Childhood Institute where the ECAC meeting is taking place. Ms. Hampton commended the GOEC staff and all volunteers for their hard work in putting the conference together. Ms. Hampton reported on the Early Childhood Roundtable Discussion sponsored by the National Governor’s Association that took place this morning. Ms. Hampton reported that she testified before the Government Contract Review Legislative Research Commission on May 14, 2019. Ms. Hampton will also appear before the Joint Interim Committee on Education on June 5, 2019. Ms. Hampton informed the Council that she and the GOEC staff visited Dayton Independent Schools and met with Superintendent Jay Brewer on May 15, 2019. The GOEC delivered Kids of Kentucky books and discussed policy with the Superintendent and staff, while interacting with children in the preschool and Head Start programs. Ms. Hampton announced that, effective June 27, 2019, the KY Governor’s Office of Early Childhood will be transitioning into the Education Workforce Development Cabinet within the Secretary of Education’s office.

Preschool Development Grant

***Every day, every year is important: Starting Before Birth to Lori Connor-Tadros*
Ensure Young Children are Successful**

Lori Connors-Tadros, Senior Project Director, Center on Enhancing Early Learning Outcomes, National Institute for Early Education Research, Rutgers University, spoke about prenatal through 3rd grade (P-3) framework, what outcomes can be expected from a P-3 approach, examples of implementing a P-3 approach, how to prioritize P-3 in the strategic plan and what resources are available. Ms. Connors-Tadros’ presentation can be found at www.kidsnow.ky.gov.

Improving Child Outcomes by Partnering with Communities.....Karen Ponder

Karen Ponder, of the BUILD Initiative, spoke on how to improve Early Childhood program outcomes by partnering with the community. Ms. Ponder spoke about the importance of the role of Early Education governance. Ms. Ponder addressed the role of community councils and

what is unique about the local work. Ms. Ponder spoke about practices that make a difference, as well as important lessons learned in other states. Ms. Ponder’s presentation can be viewed online at www.kidsnow.ky.gov.

Leadership for Effective Implementation: Concrete Actions from Leaders W. Oscar Fleming

Oscar Fleming, of North Carolina University at Chapel Hill, spoke about Implementation Science and its purpose. Mr. Fleming identified how leadership can facilitate, or hinder, effective implementation. Mr. Fleming talked to the Council about aligning leadership across systems and organizations to develop a strategic climate for evidence-based practice implementation. Mr. Fleming’s presentation can be found online at www.kidsnow.ky.gov.

Kentucky Early Childhood Fiscal Map Amelia Vaughn

Amelia Vaughn, with the Children’s Funding Project, explained the fiscal mapping process and gave an overview of the Kentucky Early Childhood fiscal map process. Ms. Vaughn shared the timeline of what has been done in Kentucky from spring until the present, and spoke about next steps that will be done from present to the fall. Ms. Vaughn explained to the Council that the goal is to understand how Kentucky is currently utilizing the dollars that make up the Early Childhood landscape to be able to have recommendations for better alignment. Ms. Vaughn gave a handout to the Council of Scope and Parameters, showing a list of current funding streams that have been mapped. Ms. Vaughn told the Council that this is a map of State funding ONLY. No local funds are being included. Ms. Vaughn’s presentation, as well as the handout, can be found online at www.kidsnow.ky.gov.

Conclusion and Adjourn..... John Roden

Chair John Roden thanked everyone for being at the meeting today. Chair Roden gave the floor to Executive Director, Linda Hampton. Ms. Hampton requested Council member Rick Hulefeld to come to the front. Mr. Hulefeld’s term as a Council member is ending June 30, 2019. The meeting today will be his last. Ms. Hampton thanked Mr. Hulefeld for his service and on behalf of the Commonwealth, honored Mr. Hulefeld with a Kentucky Colonel.

Meeting adjourned at 3:17 pm.