

Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council

Wednesday, May 18, 2022

1:00 p.m.

Minutes

The Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council met on Wednesday, May 18, 2022, in the Thomas Jefferson Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 1:16 p.m. by Paula Polito, Chair. Members present were: Nicole Angelle, Janine Borne, Rabbi Yossi Chesney, Falcia Coleman, Dr. Michelle Joubert, Dr. Ashley Lucas, Nora McCarstle, Chriscella Metoyer, Joy Mitchell, Paula Polito, Dr. Libbie Sonnier, and Kahree Wahid.

Edy Addison, Maria Blanco, Lt. Lorre Claiborne, LaTrese LeCour, Capt. Aaron Marcelle, Sen. Beth Mizell, Dr. Tamanika Odinga, Kelli Taylor-White, and Rep. Christopher Turner were not in attendance.

Caylee Corban served as a proxy for Lesley Corban, Dr. Michelle Demeulenaere served as a proxy for Dr. Susannah Craig, Carol Neusetzer served as a proxy for Melissa Drescher, Karen Schexnyder served as a proxy for Linda Lambert, Brenda Sharpe served as a proxy for Dr. Toni Ledet, Courtney Rogers served as a proxy for Jennifer Roberts, Angela Barnes served as a proxy for Shenoa Webb, and Tara Emery served as a proxy for Alan Young.

A quorum was not present.

Representing the Louisiana Department of Education were Lisa Brochard, Dr. Jenna Chiasson, and Karen Powell.

Also present was Derrick Toups, member of the Early Learning Development Standards Review Committee.

Public comments were received from Katie Alexander, Christy Halk, Juanita Jacob, and Tobie Thibodeaux.

- 1 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the minutes of the meeting held March 23, 2022.
- 2 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the report regarding advisory council policy and procedures.
- 3 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Coleman, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the revisions to Bulletin 136, *Louisiana Standards for Early Childhood Care and Education Programs*, regarding Early Learning Development Standards, as presented.

- 4 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Coleman, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations*, regarding safety specifications, as presented.
- 5 On motion of Ms. Coleman, seconded by Dr. Sonnier, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the revisions to Bulletin 139, *Louisiana Child Care and Development Fund Programs*, regarding family child care providers and LA Pathways, as presented.
- 6 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Coleman, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the revisions to Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network*, regarding timelines for the Louisiana Early Childhood Education Fund, as presented.
- 7 On motion of Ms. Coleman, seconded by Dr. Sonnier, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council Quarterly Report.

With no further business to come before the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council, the meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.