



Children's Cabinet Advisory Board Meeting

Unapproved Minutes

January 14, 2020

State Capitol Press Room 4th Floor

Member Name: Attendees

R. Renee Antoine
Brittany Braun
Amanda Brunson
Sue Catchings
Lynn Clark
Teresa Falgoust
Sherry Guarisco
Sarah Hinshaw-Fuselier, Ph.D.
Julie Foster Hagan
Rhenda H. Hodnett

Libbie Sonnier-Netto, Ph.D
Melanie Washington
Alfreda Tillman-Bester
Ronald Johnson
Shanta Proctor
Stephanie Sterling
Michael W. Victorian
Lenell Young
Marsha Shuler
Kathleen S. Richey

Non-Members: Guests

Karen Stubbs
Alexander Billioux
Susan Nelson
Annapurna Kocherlakota
Erin Brock
Connie Bellone
Eden Haile, DO.
Julio Galan
Kevin Clement
Joy Lobrano
Cara Allison

Danny Mintz
Cindy Bishop
Alma C. Stewart
Bonnie Riley
Ruth Anne Oakey Frist
Faith Boudreaux
Rachelle Boudreaux
John Wyble
Fiona Ritchey
Melissa Campbell
Brenda Sharp

Welcome:

Dr. Dana Hunter, Children's Cabinet Executive Director, welcomed members and guests to the January 14th Children's Cabinet Advisory Board Meeting.

Staff:

Dr. Dana Hunter, Children's Cabinet Executive Director
Michele Rabalais, Children's Cabinet Executive Assistant

Call to Order:

Kathleen Richey, Children's Cabinet Advisory Board (CCAB) Chair, called the meeting to order and introductions were made.

Roll Call:

Roll was called and a quorum was determined present.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes for the Dec. 16 meeting were adopted on a motion made by Sue Catching and seconded by Marsha Shuler.

Review Budget Priority Submission:

The board reaffirmed its list of priorities that will be submitted to the Governor's Children's Cabinet. The initiatives include additional funding for early childhood education, a statewide perinatal, infant and early childhood mental health consultation program, strategic planning for Family First Prevention Services Act implementation, and expansion of food services programs for at-risk children.

Emphasis should be placed on the needs of the whole child.

Family First Prevention Services Act Presentation:

Department of Children and Family Services representative Dr. Rhenda Hodnett did a presentation on the federal Family First Prevention Services Act. She gave an overview of the law which requires states to focus on early intervention to keep children in families. Foster care is used as a temporary intervention under Family First. The law passed by Congress in 2018 goes into effect in October 2021.

Fifty percent of children in foster care are under age 5 and approximately 25 percent are teenagers.

Under the new law, Title IV-E funds can be used for prevention services such as mental health and substance abuse treatment, in-home parenting skills, kinship navigation. That was not previously allowed.

There is a 14-day limit on placement of children in non-medical group homes where previously there was no limit. States will have to pick up the cost of any placement beyond 14 days which can run \$150 a day.

Strategic direction of CCAB Discussion

Dr. Hunter mentioned that there was discussion at the last CCAB meeting about the subject areas of the board's subcommittees and whether they need to be altered in any way.

Kathleen Richey suggested that each subcommittee meet and make recommendations of potential changes. Libbie Sonnier-Netto suggested combining or at least having joint conversations between Early Experience and Early Learning Literacy groups.

Dr. Hunter asked the board for suggestions about future potential presentations members would be interested in. Topics mentioned included the U.S. Census, legislative policy and budget presentations as well as one on ACES.

Other Business

No other business.

Public Comments

Thursday January 30, 2020 – Women’s Policy Listening (New Orleans, LA@ Kingsley House)

Thursday February 20, 2020 – Women’s Policy Listening (Baton Rouge, La@ Healing Place)

Tuesday March 3, 2020 – Health Summit

Tuesday March 10, 2020 – Children’s Day at the Capitol

Wednesday April 8, 2020 – Anti Hunger Day

Tuesday May 5, 2020 – Early Education Day

Tuesday May 19, 2020 – Children’s Health Day

2020 Meeting schedule is as follows:

Upcoming CCAB meetings:

Tuesday, March 17, 2020	10:00 am – 12:00 pm (CCAB), State Capitol Press Room 4 th Floor
Tuesday, May 19, 2020	10:00 am – 12:00 pm (CCAB), Claiborne Building, Rooms 136 A&B
Tuesday, July 21, 2020	10:00 am – 12:00 pm (CCAB), State Capitol Press Room 4 th Floor
Tuesday, August 18, 2020	10:00 am – 12:00 pm (CCAB), Claiborne Building, Rooms 136 A&B
Tuesday October 20, 2020	10:00 am – 12:00 pm (CCAB), State Capitol Press Room 4 th Floor
Tuesday December 1, 2020	10:00 am – 12:00 pm (CCAB), Claiborne Building, Rooms 136 A&B

Upcoming Children’s Cabinet meeting:

Tuesday, January 28, 2020	10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.	State Capitol Press Room 4 th Floor
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Adjournment

Libbie Sonnier-Netto made a motion to adjourn. Alfreda Tillman-Bester seconded. All approved. Meeting adjourned.