

Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE)

Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council

Wednesday, July 13, 2022

1:00 p.m.

Minutes

The Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council met on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, in the Thomas Jefferson Room, located in the Claiborne Building in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m. by Paula Polito, Chair. Members present were: Nicole Angelle, Maria Blanco Janine Borne, Rabbi Yossi Chesney, Falcia Coleman, Lesley Corban, Dr. Susannah Craig, Melissa Drescher, Dr. Michelle Joubert, LaTrese LeCour, Dr. Toni Ledet, Dr. Ashley Lucas, Nora McCarstle, Joy Mitchell, Rep. Lance Harris, Sen. Mark Abraham, Dr. Tamanika Odinga, Paula Polito, Dr. Libbie Sonnier, Rep. Chris Turner, Kahree Wahid, and Shenoa Webb.

Edy Addison, Lt. Lorre Claiborne, Capt. Aaron Marcelle, and Chriscella Metoyer were not in attendance.

Angela Kelly served as a proxy for Linda Lambert, Courtney Rogers served as a proxy for Jennifer Roberts, Bethany Thomas served as a proxy for Kelli Taylor-White, and Tara Emery served as a proxy for Alan Young.

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

Public comments were received from Bert Callais, Tiffany Hatten, and Paige Lowry.

- 1 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Blanco, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council approved the minutes of the meetings held March 23, 2022 and May 18, 2022.
- 2 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Ms. Mitchell, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council approved the new membership of Rep. Lance Harris to serve as the Designee from the House Committee on Education.
- 3 On motion of Dr. Sonnier, seconded by Dr. Odinga, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council endorsed 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. Bourne, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council endorsed the revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations*, regarding safety specifications, as presented.

With no further business to come before the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:35 p.m.