

**CBEC State Advisory Council  
Meeting Minutes  
April 7, 2015 from 10:00-3:00**

<b>Members Present:</b>	
Roseann Bentley , Green County Commissioner	Jim Caccamo, Metropolitan Council on Early Learning
Emily Koenig, Department of Mental Health (DMH)	JoAnne Ralston, Dept. of Elementary and Secondary (DESE)
Cindy Burks, Department of Social Services (DSS)	Shirley Patterson, Consultant in Early Language & Literacy
Stacey Owsley-Wright, MO Head Start	Carol Scott, Child Care Aware® of Missouri
Jeanne Serra, Dept. of Health and Senior Services (DHSS Representative)	Brenda Shields, Past President, United Way of Missouri
<b>Members Present by Phone:</b>	
Valeri Lane, Zero to Three	
Paula Knight, St. Louis Public School District	
<b>Members Absent:</b>	
Judge J. Dale Youngs, Judiciary Representative	
<b>Guests Present:</b>	
Lisa Driskel Hawxby, OPEN Initiative/MU	(phone) Diane Carter, Military Child Care Liaison
Gustavo Carlo, Center for Family Policy & Research	(phone) Casey Hanson, Missouri Afterschool Network
Pamela Speer, MO Accreditation	
<b>Staff Present:</b>	
Linda Sommers, Department of Social Services (DSS)	Justin Logan, Department of Social Services (DSS)
Tasha Baker, DSS Children's Services	Cindy Rackers, Dept. of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)
Sue Porting, Dept. of Health and Senior Services (DHSS)	Tasha Baker, DSS Children's Services

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<b>Call to Order and approval of the agenda</b>	Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Roseann Bentley The agenda for April 7, 2015 was reviewed and addition of State Plan and Core Competency Report were added. Motion to approve agenda as amended by Brenda Shields. Motion seconded by Cindy Burks.	<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>
<b>Report of the Secretary</b>	Minutes of the January meeting were presented. Stacy Wright asked to have those minutes amended under the section "Head Start State Collaboration Office". Motion was made by Cindy Burks to approve the minutes as amended. Motion was seconded by Valeri Lane.	<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>
<b>Budget Report</b>	The Quarterly Budget Report is in the process of being prepared. It will be sent to the Board within the next week	
<b>Discussion/Action Items</b>	<p><b><u>Vacancies on the Board</u></b> Members are still needed to fill the four vacant spots on the Board. Jim has reached out to the governor's office to encourage them to appoint that representative: they have yet to respond. Several Board members have reached out to other entities to search for persons interested in serving. Those persons would need to be approved by the Senate. Roseann will send a letter to the Governor's office once again requesting a representative.</p> <p><b><u>Transforming the Workforce Report</u></b> Jim Caccamo introduced a short discussion on the report from the national Academy of Sciences. The report indicated a shortage of qualified teachers for young children birth through 8. He will forward the report to Board members.</p> <p><b><u>Child Care Development Block Grant</u></b> Cindy Burks presented an update on CCDBG. She gave a walk-through of the State Plan, which is the application for the funds and the incorporation of the new requirements under the reauthorization act. Cindy pointed out that "Section I: CCDF leadership with Relevant Systems" is already in place with CBEC as the required state advisory council. The plan also includes new safety rules for child care providers and makes eligibility more family friendly. Cindy requested feedback on the State Plan at the July meeting.</p>	

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	<p><b><u>Legislative Update</u></b>  Carol Scott gave the legislative update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ <b>HB 1268:</b> Establishes the Early Childhood Health and Education Act. the goal is to provide coordinated funding for early childhood health and education programs. CBEC has been named as an oversight board. Moving through the House.</li> <li>➤ <b>HB 1105:</b> Requires quality rating systems for early childhood education to be in compliance with criteria established by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.</li> <li>➤ <b>Raise Your Hands for Kids</b> is pursuing a 2016 ballot initiative to increase Missouri’s tobacco tax by \$.50 a pack and invest the new revenues in early childhood development. Roseanne has invited Erin Brower and Judy Duncan to the CBEC meeting to discuss this issue.</li> <li>➤ <b>HB 707:</b> Allows Greene County, or any city within the county, to impose a sales tax, upon voter approval, to fund early childhood education</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Federal Government Update</u></b>  Linda Smith, the Deputy Assistance Secretary and Interdepartmental Liaison for early Childhood Development recently announced the updated CCDF Data Explorer on the Child Care Technical Assistance network web site. Rae Anderson serves as the Child Care State Systems Specialist for Region VII where she provides support to the states in the administration of CCDF.</p> <p><b><u>Home Visiting Definition</u></b>  Valeri Lane requested that the Board approve the proposed definition of home visiting as it pertains to the early childhood system. The definition reads “A <i>prenatal, infant and early childhood health and development approach in which the design assumes home visits with parents as the primary method for delivering a service or intervention, and through which an ongoing relationship is developed with enrolled families over time</i>”.  Valerie made a motion that the Board approve the proposed definition. Carol Scott seconded.</p>	<p><b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>

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	<p><b><u>Child Care Aware</u></b>  Carol Scott requested ideas access to any channels of communication to reach staff in licensed early care and education programs, to promote T.E.A.C.H. MISSOURI. Target audience is teachers in licensed programs, who work at least 30 hours per week.</p> <p><b><u>Website Recommendation</u></b>  Justin Logan requested an opinion from the Board on a recommendation from the Early Care and Education Programs Workgroup. Should more be posted to the website? The general consensus of the Board is that this should be done.</p> <p><b><u>Early Childhood Mental Health Workgroup</u></b>  One of the goals of the Early Childhood Mental Health workgroup is to build the capacity of mental health professionals to serve the social and emotional needs of young children (0-8) in the community and better connect the early childhood field with mental health.  In 2014, the workgroup developed a 6-hour training targeted to mental health providers that introduced the essential components of social and emotional development of children ages 0-8, and the importance of early identification and intervention. This training was followed up by a 6-month learning collaborative where participants were asked to present cases of children they were serving. The project wrapped up with a 6-hour training providing participants with a taste of several interventions shown to be effective in young children. In total, 24 participants completed the two trainings and full six-month collaborative. This summer, the Missouri Coalition for Community Behavioral Healthcare, with funding from the Department of Health and Senior Services and Department of Mental Health, will sponsor a second cohort of this training learning collaborative with capacity to train 30 more mental health professionals.</p>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Carol Scott moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:00 p.m.; Jim Caccamo seconded.	<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	July 7, 2015 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm; Governor’s Office Building Room 470	