

**CBEC State Advisory Council  
Conference Call Meeting Minutes  
May 20, 2015 from 12:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

<b>Members Present:</b>	
Emily Koenig, Department of Mental Health (DMH)	Jo Anne Ralston, Dept. of Elementary and Secondary (DESE)
Dean Linneman for Gail Vasterling, Dept of Health & Senior Services (DHSS)	Cindy Burks, Department of Social Services (DSS) Representative
<b>Members Present by Phone</b>	
Jim Caccamo, Metropolitan Council on Early Learning	Shirley Patterson, Consultant in Early Language & Literacy
Roseann Bentley , Green County Commissioner	Carol Scott, Child Care Aware of Missouri
Stacey Wright, MO Head Start	Brenda Shields, Past President, United Way of Missouri
Judge J. Dale Youngs, Judiciary Representative	
<b>Members Absent:</b>	
Paula Knight	Val Lane
<b>Guests Present:</b>	
Erin Brower – ACE – By phone	Tina Bernskoetter – By phone
Robin Coffman – DESE – In person	
<b>Staff Present:</b>	
Justin Logan, Dept. of Social Services (DSS)	

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<p><b>Call to Order and approval of the agenda</b></p>	<p>Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m. by Roseann. Roll call was conducted</p>	<p><b>MOTION CARRIED</b></p>
<p><b>Discussion/Action Items</b></p>	<p>Meeting was requested by the Executive Committee for the entire board to hear and understand the proposal by Erin Brower's group, ACE.</p> <p>First hour of the call was without Erin Brower:</p> <p>We are discussing the proposed ballot and ask additional questions from Erin Brower.</p> <p>It's the understanding we can give advice on the proposal.</p> <p>Jim spoke with Mike Nietzel, from the Governor's Office. The Governor's office does not oppose the proposal that CBEC is the board that would handle the funds.</p> <p>It was made clear that Erin Brower does not need our support to move forward. She has an agenda and she is allowed to move forward, with or without approval from CBEC.</p> <p>Stacey discussed the internal communication. The communication is for informational purposes only to generate questions around the proposal. It is no one's opinion or stance on any subject matter.</p> <p>Question: The proposal creates a new structure of the board, does it allow us to continue our work? There was discussion around if the proposal allows us to continue our work and what our work would be like with the proposal is approved.</p> <p>Question: Why change the composition of the board and mirror the Children's Service Commission? Discussion about the purpose and why it would be beneficial and detrimental.</p> <p>There was discussion about our name and what we do. It was brought up that we are supposed to be coordinating programs and departments and some members feel that we still have a lot of work to be viewed as successful.</p>	

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<p><b>Discussion/Action Items</b></p>	<p>Question: How do we get grants to areas that do not have coordinated efforts? Discussion about if money is available for organizations to apply for grants, organizations would become coordinated, especially in hard to reach areas.</p> <p>Question: Is the language of the ballot enough to allow CBEC the authority to create rule and manage the fund? Small discussion about the authority.</p> <p>Question: Why chose a board and not a state department? Small discussion about a board verse a state department.</p> <p>Erin Brower joined the call at 1:00 p.m. She answered some questions.</p> <p>Question: What is the future vision of CBEC and the roles that change? Answer: CBEC is to identify gaps throughout the state and will help address those issues through grants. One way to reach out to areas will be through regional partners. Some areas said they support regional areas, but not all. Initial language requiring regional partners language was removed after stakeholder input. CBEC will create rules and any statute changes that are required. Erin believes that CBEC has rule making authority.</p> <p>Question: Why change the composition of the board? Answer: A look at other successful boards determined 13 members seem to be the best number for a board to be most effective. There is thought that CBEC is too big and eliminating board members and bringing in legislators would help get buy-in from all stakeholders.</p> <p>Erin discussed the purpose to move to DESE from DSS, as that the public would see this as an educational approach, instead of a social welfare approach.</p> <p>Question: A question was ask to elaborate more on the membership and removing members, does that take away experts in the field? Answer: The thought is the board would not be all experts. The purpose of the board is to manage the funds. Many experts would be non-voting members who participate in the workgroups to make recommendations.</p>	

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<b>Discussion/Action Items</b>	<p>The topic about conflict of interest was brought up with no definite answer how to handle members with a conflict of interest. The options are to be strict and have no members on the board with a possible conflict of interest, or be relaxed and allow some members who may have a conflict of interest to participate, just not vote on certain topics.</p> <p>Other topics from Erin that do not have answers are term limits, percentage for administrative costs, rule-making and fiscal authority, moving board to DESE's control and appointing members.</p> <p>Grants will be in seven different topics. Those topic names will be sent to Roseann to distribute.</p>	
<b>Adjournment</b>	Motion made by Jim Caccamo and seconded by Cindy Burks to adjourn at 1:44 p.m.	<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>
<b>Next Meeting</b>	July 7 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm; Governor's Office Building	