

**Report for the Missouri Coordinating Board for Early Childhood**  
*August 10, 2010*



**Partner Group:** *Missouri Child Care Resource and Referral Network*

**Liaison to the Board:** *Carol Scott*

**Date of last meetings:** *Agency Council transition meeting—July 15<sup>th</sup>; Board—July 16<sup>th</sup>*

**Date of next meetings:** *Agencies/staff planning meeting—August 20<sup>th</sup>*

**Action Items In-progress/Pending:**

- Recommendations coming for new structural relationships connecting regional agencies, state Network staff and state Network board
- Flyer to promote positive response to new licensing rules being printed and mailed to all licensed centers in August

**Announcements:**

- New dba name and logo ready for adoption; new web site under construction. Launch expected October 1<sup>st</sup>



- Seeking DESE funding to create new tool for tracking alternate forms of PD via the online calendar
- Represented the Missouri Coalition for School Readiness at the Pre-K Now State Partners meeting in Washington DC, July 27-29; met with aide in Senator McCaskill's office RE dedicated pre-k funding in ESEA reauthorization.

**Questions for the board/larger group:**

- n/a

**Other Notes:**

**House Committee Approves Funding Increase for Child Care, Head Start**

On Thursday, July 15th, the House Subcommittee on Labor, HHS, and Education Appropriations considered funding for several programs for the FY 2011 federal budget, including the Child Care and Development Block Grant (CCDBG), Head Start, and education programs. In a great victory for early childhood advocates, the committee approved a \$700 million increase for CCDBG (the largest increase since 2000) and an \$866 million increase for Head Start!

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