

Meeting Minutes - Draft EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

| Thursday, January 8, 2015 | 8:00 AM | 215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. |
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| | | Room 260 (Madison Municipal Building) |

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

| Present: | 7 - | Denise DeMarb; Scott Peters; Jennifer M. Dittrich-Templin; Patricia A. | |
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| | | Lasky; Diane B. Adams; Karalyn A. Kratowicz and Muriel Simms | |
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Absent: 1 - Linda E. Benzschawel

Peters called the meeting to order at 8:03 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY LASKY, SECONDED BY KRATOWICZ TO APPROVE THE DECEMBER 11, 2014 MINUTES. The motion passed by voice vote with corrections on page 2, the third paragraph from the bottom change "W2" to WI Shares.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>36715</u>

Universal System of Child Care and Child Development Services Presentations Jen Bailey - DCPC George Hagenauer - 4C Next Steps

 Attachments:
 DCPC Inc

 DCPC Guide For Parents
 DCPC Developmental Objectives Chart

 4C 2014 Demographic Report
 4C Estimates for Preschool Children

 4C 2014 Rates
 4C 2014 Rates

 4C 2014 FCC Care Report
 4C 2014 FCC Care Report

Jen Bailey from Dane County Parent Council (DCPC). The majority of children participating in DCPC programming in Madison are involved in Head Start. The Head Start program offers part day, full day with wrap around care and home visitation programs to families. It is a comprehensive preschool program that focuses on promoting school readiness through positive social and educational skill development for children. Head Start also provides health, educational, nutritional, social emotion and other services to children and families to support their success. DCPC also offers various other programs to assist young children and their families.

Adams arrived at the meeting.

Bailey discussed that there has been a significant increase in homeless families seeking help in the last few years. This becomes more challenging when there are no slots available in the shelters. The increase in need has put a strain on existing resources.

George Hagenauer from 4C was present to discuss 2014 Demographic Report. The data gathered is based on where children receive care vs. where they live. Enrollment has increased overall, but decreased in Family Child Care. WI Shares enrollment has also decreased. That may be due to 4K attendance.

Dittrich-Templin left the meeting at 9:21 am.

Many factors come into play when choosing child care options including: co pays, income eligibility, age of children, commuting and job location, part time vs. full time care, and quality of care. Hagenauer discussed the importance of the business community becoming involved and the need for economic development to be a focus in the movement to increase quality child care options for families.

2. <u>36716</u> Child Care Program Update

C Assistance funds were expended with less than \$5,000 unspent due to Varinia del Moral's oversight. \$100,000 was added to the child care budget for 2015 to target training programs for well paying jobs. Outreach and enrollment for the training program is starting.

UW Preschool Lab Mineral Pt Rd will close in fall and consolidate with the Linden Lab.

Red Caboose has had their 5 star YoungStar rating restored.

The initiative to use accreditation as a way to help serve more low income families will continue to be reviewed. A center has applied for accreditation in a location with limited housing and transportation, serving few if any low income families. The centers rates are high and being part of a national chain has access to support and resources. The center however does serve a major employer in the area.

3. <u>35727</u> CDD Updates

Table to next meeting.

4. <u>33059</u> CSC Committee Report

Lasky briefly discussed the \$100,000 budget increase for child care and the neighborhood center funding.

Kratowicz will be the next CSC rep and will attend the January CSC meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY SIMMS, SECONDED BY DEMARB TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 10:10 AM. Motion passed by voice vote.