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Meeting Minutes - Approved EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, December 8, 2011

8:00 AM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room 260 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 -

Muriel Simms; Scott Peters; Nicole K. Anderson; Michael B. Jacob;
Patricia A. Lasky and Diane B. Adams

Excused: 2 -

Anita Weier and Celsa G. Rodriguez

Staff present: Monica Host, Lorri Wendorf, Becky Schesny

Peters called the meeting to order at 8:04 am.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Lasky, seconded by Adams to approve the October 20, 2011 minutes. Motion passed by voice vote.

MOTION by Anderson, seconded by Lasky to approve the November 29, 2011 subcommittee minutes. Motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

None.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. [24711](#) New member introduction - Muriel Simms

Muriel Simms introduced herself to the group. She has experience with education as a former principal and MMSD employee. She now works at

Edgewood College with doctoral students. There was a brief introduction by the rest of the committee members and staff.

The mayor's office has informed staff that Linda Benzschawel will be joining the committee as a child care specialist in the near future. She is currently an MATC instructor in the 2 year child development program here in Madison.

2. [24653](#)

Neighborhood Center Study

In preparation for future funding cycles the neighborhood centers funding and programming are being examined in detail. Lorri Wendorf-Corrigan discussed the neighborhood spreadsheets and updated the group on the current funding structure.

Adams suggested adding dates and the total number of centers to the graph pages for reference.

Meetings with neighborhood center directors and surveys were used to gather the data. There are 13 neighborhood centers in the City. The names of the centers were left off the sheets to avoid bias.

Simms inquired about demographic information on programs and centers. Wendorf-Corrigan explained that this information is provided on the funding application and the centers that receive CORE funding need to provide demographic services reports. Neighborhood centers receive CORE funding for basic operations such as directors salaries, maintenance, utilities, etc. To receive HUD funding 50% of an agency programming must be to those below the median income.

The data that has been gathered will be used as a baseline. The charts demonstrate the breakdown of funding for centers based on total budgets, CDD funding and other important categories.

Anderson suggested having the center "letters" on the same place on all pages to better help track the different information.

Originally the plan was to use the information to create a formula of sorts that would allow for a more intuitive funding process. However, so far the information gathered has shown that all centers bring unique features to the table and cannot be represented equally in a formula.

The neighborhood center study information has been discussed at the CSC, SCAC and CDBG committees. Future updates and outcomes will be shared as the process moves forward.

3. [24605](#)

Reallocation of Dane County Parent Council Preschool Enrichment Program Community Resources funding (\$40,060).

The ECCEC subcommittee met on November 29th and passed a motion to approve staff recommendations for the PEP allocation funds. The ECCEC approval and recommendation to the CSC to accept their recommendation went forward to the CSC last night and was approved. This will be included in the budget for 2012.

4. [22204](#) CSC Meeting Report

Anderson briefly discussed the presentations by providers at the 12/7 CSC meeting. Both Host and Alan Sweet, the chair of OCS complimented Anderson on her representation of the ECCEC at the meeting.

There has been discussion of possibly merging the CDBG committee and the CSC committee. This will be discussed further in January.

5. [24712](#) Update on 2013-2014 funding process

The planning of this will begin in January 2012.

6. [24713](#) Owl Creek Update

Tondra Davis has been working with families in the Owl Creek neighborhood. Their concerns are mostly related to transportation. In general people are happy with the neighborhood and employed. Need assistance getting kids and teens to different places.

Vari briefly discussed the latest child care assistance report. 141 children and 92 families were served this year in the program. There is a \$53,000 surplus this year due partly to possible budget cuts that money was set aside.

Monica is working on getting new maps that show CDD funded agencies.

7. [24715](#) 4K Survey

MOTION by Lasky, seconded by Adams to table the 4K discussion to the next meeting. Motion passed by voice vote.

8. [24716](#) 2012 ECCEC meeting calendar

2012 schedule was distributed. Any changes will be discussed at the January meeting.

9. [24717](#) Enews

The ECCEC group will be added to the OCS e-news email group sent to center directors.

10. [19470](#) ECCEC Subcommittee

Adams will not be at the January meeting. The January 26 subcommittee will consist of Jacob, Lasky and Anderson.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Lasky, seconded by Adams to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 am.
Motion passed by voice vote.