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Meeting Minutes - Approved EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 11, 2018

2:30 PM

Madison Municipal Building 215 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Ste 207 Madison, WI 53703

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Michael J. Tierney; Christine Coke; Kate Toews; Mykenzie L. Lemberger;

Senay Goitom; Nancy K. Brien and Dipesh Navsaria

Absent: 1 - Lana Nenide

Others Present: Coral Manning, Deb Diaz, Rommel Tijerino, Christie Voigt

Brien called the meeting to order at 2:31 pm. Navsaria joined the meeting via telephone. Brien welcomed Ald. Tierney to the committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Toews, seconded by Lemberger to approve the April 12, 2018 minutes. Motion passed by voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Toews updated the standard disclosures to reflect one child in an accredited center.

NEW BUSINESS

1. <u>52737</u> 2018 - 2019 ECCEC Meeting Schedule

2018

December 13

2019 Schedule January 10 March 14 May 9 July 11 September 12 November 14

Attachments: 2018-19 Schedule

Brien discussed the proposed 2019 schedule. Motion by Toews, seconded by

Lemberger to approve the proposed 2019 schedule for the following dates: January 10, March 14, May 9, July 11, September 12 and November 14. Motion passed by voice vote.

The next ECCEC meeting will be December 13, 2018.

2. 52734 Tuition Assistance Report

Attachments: ECCEC 2nd Q 2018

ECCEC 2nd Q 2018 summary

Tijerino discussed program outreach, summer activity and policy changes results. There were additional inquiries each day and increased time spent reviewing potential families for eligibility. Many families did not qualify for the City program based on income levels or residency. Families with income levels below the City income levels qualify for Wisconsin Shares program. Families in Fitchburg or surrounding cities do not qualify due to residency requirements.

Child Care Unit staff will be meeting next week to review the impact of policy changes and potential modifications for the future.

Manning briefly discussed Northside Early Childhood Zone updates. Manning also discussed the 2019 Request for Proposals for early childhood programs.

3. 53389 Report from Nathan Beck on DreamUp Grant

Attachments: MOST Dream Up

Nathan Beck, the MOST Program Coordinator, discussed the Dream Up Grant Process. Schmidt Futures released an RFP to raise the wages of 10,000 households by 10% by 2020. City staff worked with IRP, WECA, UW Faculty and Reach Dane to develop a proposal for significant investment in child care and out of school time sectors. The proposal would include wage increases for staff, with a target minimum of \$15/hour, maximizing Wisconsin Shares subsidy, employer engagement to offer child care as a benefit, professional development and a Shared Services Network. The Madison proposal is one of 11 moving forward. Three proposals will be selected to make pitches to Schmidt Futures and at least one will be selected for funding.

4. <u>52736</u> Community Services Committee Update - Mykenzie Lemberger

Lemberger updated the group on recent CSC activity. The committee allocated funding for RFPs to three agencies. Neighborhood center funding will occur next year.

5. 53390 Report from Coral Manning on 2019 Child Care Budget as submitted in July.

Attachments: 2019 Child Care Unit Budget-FINAL

Manning discussed the submitted budget. Tuition Assistance fund request was increased by \$60,000 for stabilization grants. There was also an increase of \$5,000 to training funds to help Satellite provide training to Family Child Care

centers.

A supplemental request for a "Wage Pilot" program was submitted for \$140,000. This request was not approved by the Finance Committee. The budget will move forward to Common Council in November.

6. <u>51736</u> Report from Child Care Unit staff on current efforts in Trauma Informed Care and addressing early childhood mental health

Attachments: EC Mental Health Consultation

WIAIMH Fact Sheet

Connie Williams discussed Trauma Informed Care and Mental Health efforts related to early childhood care. Specialists can work directly with centers on these issues or centers can work with Rainbow Project for additional capacity building. Increasing mental health capacity for child care specialists and child care staff is important. New staff at child care centers may not know about dealing with trauma in infants, children and families. The City Child Care Unit is working with centers on Conscious Discipline training and Pyramid model trainings for center staff.

Expulsion from child care centers was also discussed. Early childhood mental health consultation can build capacity for center staff on how to address a child's challenging behavior. Rainbow Project staff and clinicians work with child care center staff to improve interactions with children and center staff.

53391 Report from Sharyl Kato of Rainbow Project on Issues of Early Childhood
 Trauma/Mental Health Consultation for Early Childhood Care Providers

Sharyl Kato was ill and unable to attend the meeting. This presentation will be rescheduled.

8. <u>51739</u> Report from Christie Voigt from 4-Cs on the decline in family child care providers in recent years

<u>Attachments:</u> Report - Decline in Regulated FCC Data

Voigt discussed the trend of decreasing family child care providers in both the Madison area and the state of Wisconsin. In 2006, 391 family child care providers were in the Madison zip code area. In 2018, 167 family child care providers were in the Madison zip code area. There is not a single cause for the decline of family child care providers. A combination of provisional certification changes, loss of substitute provider service, YoungStar education requirements and other factors have affected the decline.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Goitom, seconded by Toews to adjourn the meeting at 3:52 pm. Motion passed by voice vote.