



# City of Madison

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## Meeting Minutes - Approved EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?  
Who does not have a voice at the table?  
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

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Thursday, January 14, 2021

2:30 PM

Virtual

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### CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

**Present:** 7 - Nasra Wehelie; (Lisa) Anna M. Berry; Elizabeth K. Schroeder; Mykenzie L. Lemberger; Rebecca K. Murray; Nancy K. Brien and Dipesh Navsaria

**Absent:** 1 - Claire E. Lind

**Staff Present:** Coral Manning, Rommel Tijerino, Deb Diaz

Lemberger called the meeting to order at 2:36 pm.

Alder Wehelie did a brief introduction to the group. Manning added that Nenide moved outside the City of Madison. Lemberger also informed the committee she moved outside the city and this would be her last meeting. Manning asked the group to forward potential member names to her.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Murray, seconded by Brien to approve the November 12, 2020.  
Motion passed unanimously.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

1. [63600](#) Public Comment ECCEC Jan 2021

None.

### DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Standard ones only.

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Navsaria is on the WECA Board. Lind has consulted with accredited centers

For 1/14/21 minute approval section at the March 2021 meeting! Navsaria stated he is no longer on the WECA board.

### NEW BUSINESS

2. [63601](#) Staff Update on Current State of School Age Child Care

Manning provided updates on school age care. MMSD will continue virtual learning. MMSD would provide three weeks notice to any change to hybrid or in person learning. School Age child care is running in 29 schools. Alternative sites for those programs have been reviewed and approved if school returns to in person learning.

3. [63602](#) Child Care Unit Hiring Plan

**Attachments:** [DRAFT Job Posting CCPS 2021.pdf](#)

Manning reviewed Child Care Specialist hiring timeline to fill a position vacated last fall. For a more diverse candidate pool bilingual publications and postings for communities of color will be incorporated in publishing the job description. The posting will also reach Early Childhood networks in the area. The job posting will be published next week. The new position would then start in April or May. The Infant/Early Childhood Mental Health Consultant position will be posted in early March with the intent the person would begin in June or July.

4. [63603](#) Timeline on Tuition Assistance Revamp

**Attachments:** [Project Plan for Tuition Assistance Revamp 2021.pdf](#)  
[ECCEC and CC input on Child Care Scholarship Revamp Timeline.pdf](#)

Manning discussed the project plans for community outreach. The Child Care Unit applied for a grant to help with community outreach costs. Manning also discussed the Ordinance changes and policies and procedures document. There are currently 14 families on the program. Those families would be notified of changes and Be allowed to remain on the current program until the child ages out of care or the family is no longer eligible due to income changes or residency outside of Madison.

When new program guidelines are established, a new application would be created with rolling eligibility for 1 year. Payments to centers would be done 3 times a year. Once for the first school semester, once for the second school semester and finally for summer care. Let Manning know if you would like to help outside of ECCEC to review drafts or gather community input.

5. [63604](#) Check In on Future ECCEC Topics

Series on center philosophies (scheduling with these sites will depend on availability of directors but that would be spring 2021 through the year):

- § Anji Play (One City)
- § Conscious Discipline (Playing Field)
- § Reggio Emilia (Preschool of the Arts)
- § Montessori and inclusion focus (Woodland Montessori)
- § Inquiry, nature-based programming (UW Child Development Lab)
- § Infant Mental Health Consultation (when new person is hired)

Manning reviewed potential future topics discussed at a 2020 meeting. The group agreed with the center philosophies listed and added Respite care with RISE, data on effect of COVID on early learning and anti-bias curriculum.

6. [63605](#) Election of Vice Chair

**Navsaria self-nominated, Murray seconded Navsaria for the vice chair position.  
Motion passed. A new chair will be elected in March.**

**ADJOURNMENT**

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