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# Meeting Minutes - Draft 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?

Thursday, May 13, 2021 2:30 PM Virtual

#### **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

Present: 6 - Jael Currie; (Lisa) Anna M. Berry; Mykenzie L. Lemberger; Rebecca K.

Murray; Sylvia F. Ramirez and Dipesh Navsaria

Absent: 3 - Claire E. Lind; Elizabeth K. Schroeder and Nancy K. Brien

Other's Present: Deb Diaz, Rommel Tijerino

Lemberger called the meeting to order at 2:32 pm.

Diaz introduced the two new members. Sylvia Ramirez and Jael Currie provided quick introductions.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

1. 65430 Public Comment May 2021

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Murray, seconded by Navsaria to approve the March 11, 2021 minutes. Motion passed by voice vote.

### **DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS**

No new disclosures.

**Standard Ones:** 

Lind consulted with accredited centers.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

2. 65431 Presentation: Early Childhood Health Consult - Dipesh Navsaria

Attachments: EC Health Consultation Presentation.pdf

Dipesh Navsaria, Clara Henkes and Maria Morgan presented information on Early Childhood Health Consult. There is a disconnect between early child care center health policies, health care worker protocol, family actions and the Caring For Our Children (CFOC) national guidelines.

A small pilot program will begin with registered nurses and virtual consultations. Geographically it will be located in a high needs area with potential expansion in 2022-23.

3. 65432 Nomination of Committee Chair

Lemberger will no longer serve as chair. No nominations submitted. Navsaria will be acting chair until a new chair is appointed. Nominations will be sought again at the July meeting.

4. 65433 Child Care Unit Hiring Update

Diaz shared hiring updates. Amy Alt began as a Child Care Specialist on April 5th. Early Child Care Manager applications have been submitted and interviews will be scheduled to replace Coral Manning. An Infant Mental Health Consultant will be hired later in the year.

**5. 65434** Tuition Assistance Revamp

Tijerino discussed the Tuition Assistance Program and the potential changes to serve more children and families. Policy updates are postponed until the new Early Child Care Manager is hired.

**6.** <u>65435</u> Pandemic Child Care/School Update and Vaccine Information

Diaz explained there was no update. Public Health will provide information for the July meeting.

65436 Community Services Committee (CSC) Report - Rebecca Murray

Murray discussed the CSC made funding decisions on the Violence Prevention and COVID Relief RFPs. The recommendations allocated \$225,000.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Navsaria, seconded by Ramirez to adjourn the meeting at 3:21 pm. Motion passed by voice vote.