

NC Pre-Kindergarten/Early Education Committee Meeting

Thursday June 17, 2021

10:05 am

The NC Pre-Kindergarten/Early Education Committee met on June, 2021 at 10:05 am.

Committee Members Present: Samelia Jones, Debra Pless, Danielle Mauldin, Ann Benfield, Sue Rebich, Deborah Beatty, Waynette Taylor, Nicole Sessoms

Staff Members Present: Lyne Goode, Ariel Ayers

Guests Present: Jessica Helms, Spencer Swain, Aurora Swain, Kimberly Hutchins

Action Items

Waynette introduced the name of our new parent representative, Cheyenne Whitley, who is a parent from Richfield Child Development in Stanley County

Minutes- Waynette presented the minutes from the May 19, 2020 meeting, asked everyone to look at them, and for someone to make a motion to accept them. Samelia moved to accept the minutes, Sue second the motion, all were in favor.

Adopt the Conflict of Interest Policy

This was presented, reviewed and voted upon by the committee to accept. Nicole moved to accept the policy, Samelia second the motion. All were in favor. Ann asked that everyone be sure to docu sign the required documents and send them back to the Partnership.

Approval of Local Plans

Family Engagement

Pre-K Transitions

Transportation

Suspension and Expulsion

Working with LEP Families

Ann shared with the committee that all of these policies remained the same as previous with the exception of the Transportation policy. The school sites do not currently provide transportation for their Pre-K students. Nicole moved to accept the plan, Samelia second the motion. All were in favor.

Budget- 1st Round of Slot allocations

Ariel shared the document with the committee who had no questions or concerns. Nicole moved to accept the allocations, Sue second the motion. All were in favor.

NC Pre-K Update

Outreach Plans: Lyne shared that her and Lissy are doing community outreach 1 day per week, and she encourages all of the sites who benefit from the NC Pre-K services to do their own outreach in their area.

Other Agency Reports

Smart Start

Ann shared that the board approved the programs for the new bidding cycle. 100% of flat funded allocations will be put into contract funds, to continue programs adopted by the committee. They are still waiting for The American Recovery Funds money.

DHS Subsidy

Ann reported for Elizabeth Heston, that their current waitlist has 536 children and 353 families on it. 27 clients and 42 children were terminated last month.

CCS no one present

KCS no one present

Family Services no one present

RCCC

Nicole shared that 6 students graduated in the spring, 3 will graduate this summer, 4 directors have completed their business certificate and the college currently has 80 participants in the program.

Waynette congratulated Nicole for her hard work with these students, and Danielle for earning her business certificate.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34 am

**The next NC Pre-K /Early Education Meeting will be held on
Wednesday, July 21, 2021 at 10 am Via Zoom**