



Childhood Care and Education Coordinating Council

Meeting Summary

Thursday October 4, 2007

1:00-4:45

Roth's Hospitality Center

1130 Wallace Road NW

Salem, OR 97304

Present: Mark Anderson, Terry Butler, Kim Cardona, Pam Dunn, Pamela Everitt, Patsy Kohout, Donna Lewelling, Heidi McGowan, Dawn Norris, Tom Olsen, Dennis Reynolds, Kathy Seubert, Diana Stotz, Sonja Svenson, Beth Unverzagt, Billie Young, Mary Nemmers, Cindy Bellamy, Barb Young, Peggy Cooksey, Diane Ponder, Lynne Reinoso and Jeannie Suihkonen, Marguerite Kenagy and Kathleen Hynes

Introductions & Announcements-Introduced Billie Young – NCCIC representative

Parent Voice Updates –Parent Voice is interested in being more actively involved. Parents share how they enjoyed working together as a group on the front end versus listening to what is already being done.

Discussion of Council meeting structure – There was discussion on the structure of the Coordinating Council meeting and the role it serves as well as the role of its members. There was discussion on the purpose of the meetings and it was decided the Coordinating Council serves in an advisory capacity for the subcommittees and workgroups of the Coordinating Council and for the larger childhood system. The meeting will be structured based on a specific topic area for each meeting and will look at how to incorporate certain advisory meetings into the agenda.

The follow topics were identified:

- December Meeting – Quality Indicators
- February Meeting – Mental Health and Early Childhood System (ask Anita McClanahan to attend)
- April Meeting – Afterschool

Action Item: Dawn will design the structure for the next few meetings and will establish a process for planning the meeting.

Childhood Care and Education Committee Chart – Dawn shared the chart which was updated at the last meeting and asked for final approval.

Action Item: Dawn will add DHS Advisory Group to the Committee Chart and distribute with Meeting Summary.

Review Membership and discuss representation

The group reviewed the Guiding Principles of the Coordinating Council and provided feedback. The group then identified gaps in membership and created a list of potential members.

Action Item: Tom and Donna will contact.

Tom Olsen – Jennifer Olson for EI/ECSE

Dell Ford for Early Childhood/Head Start and Oregon Head Start Association

Donalda Dodson for Oregon Child Development Coalition

Stacey Dashner from DHS-Child Protection

Donna Lewelling - representative for Community College and Workforce Development

Action Item: Dawn will update Guiding Principles and distribute with Meeting Summary. She will also draft a list of potential core members and interested parties.

Presentation on Lincoln County Marketing Video n- Nina Roll

Nina Roll presented a video developed in Lincoln County with the goal to open a quality child care center. The video has been presented at various business and club meetings in Lincoln County.

The video touches on 3 main points.

1. Child care is important to the economic development of our community.
2. We need to be concerned who is caring for our young children.
3. Today's young children are tomorrow's workforce.

What has occurred to date:

- The superintendent of Newport school district offered \$5,000 and a space for the center in Toledo.
- There is community discussion in the importance of child care.

Great Beginnings's Presentation – Jon Reeves

The Great Beginnings Project is part of a Marion County Commission for Children and Families project which is targeting training to Family, Friend and Neighbors caregivers and college course work for licensed providers. They provided an overview of the project and findings from the evaluation.

Action Item:

Dawn will send of the PowerPoint and handouts as requested.

General Sharing/Updates form Committees & Partners

Tom shared the Child Care System and Virtual Degree brochure.

Oregon Child Care Resource and Referral Network – Mary provided an update on a small grant they received at developing a work plan with Cynthia Hurkes for growers who employ migrant employers to address the child care needs.

Center for Career Development in Childhood Care and Education – Patsy shared a series of postcards that have been developed to market the Oregon Registry based on the last evaluation on the Oregon Registry. Partners are currently reviewing the Core Body of Knowledge which will be translated into Spanish.

OregonAsk – October 19 the Lights on Afterschool Event is occurring at the Ike Box with Brad Barton performing. Brad will be the keynote presenter the following day at the Oregon School Age Coalition Conference. A new person has been hired to provide technical assistance, training to school age providers and coordinate resources.