

Governor's Early Childhood Advisory Council

Clarion Suites
 December 2, 2015
 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.



Meeting Record

Topic	Who	Notes
A. Welcome and Introductions	Secretary Anderson Jason Wutt Fredri Bove Superintendent Evers Carolyn Stanford Taylor	Welcome and Introductions The Read to Lead Development Council is in a transition period as it was assigned from the Governor's Office to the Department of Children and Families in the 2015-17 biennial budget bill, without additional funding to continue awarding grants. At the first Read to Lead Development Council meeting chaired by the Department, members requested the Department provide guidance on how their experience and extensive knowledge regarding literacy can best be leveraged. To assist with this task, ECAC members were asked to provide their thoughts on this topic. Connections Count is a prevention initiative that is an outgrowth of the Fostering Futures Initiative. The Connections Count program will use trusted, neighborhood members to act as "connectors" to connect vulnerable families with formal and informal supports in the community. The 2015-17 biennial budget bill provided funding to hire a program manager in FY16 and bring the program on-line in a small number of sites in FY17. DCF is in the process of recruiting for the program manager, and expects the person hired for the position to begin in January 2016. 4K implementation increases again: 97% of districts (increase of 8), enrollment slightly down with 48109 children (48590 last year). Interest in community approaches continues with over 100 districts reporting contracts with child care, Head Start, or private schools. Congratulations to Superintendent Evers on being elected President of Chief State School Officers.
B. Approval of the Previous ECAC Minutes	Secretary Anderson	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nancy Armbrust motioned to approve minutes • Dave Edie seconded the motion • Motion to approve the minutes passed
C. Public Comment	Secretary Anderson	No Public Comment
D. Old Business: Operating Principles	Dave Edie/Nancy Armbrust	<p>ECAC Operating Principles draft was issued to show edits reflecting the current ECAC structure and process. Some changes and topics discussed were as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Workgroups vs. project teams 2) Appointed members/form designated representative = voting 3) Substitutes = not voting 4) Steering committee <p>The Operating Principles will be voted on for approval in March 2016. Any comments should go to Dave Edie or Nancy Armbrust</p>

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2014 Report	Bridget Cullen	2014 Report is complete and has been printed! Only 300 copies were made so if additional copies are needed, you can find the report on the ECAC website.
2015 Report	Sheila Briggs/Judy Norman-Nunnery	<p>2015 Report Status:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Overview of activity since last meeting reminded the council of the process for recommendations. The recommendations are put into two categories: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. A short overview of how the meeting had addressed recommendation content areas. A mock-up was provided of the Governor and stakeholder recommendations. 2. Review of the Governor Recommendations was done by the workgroup chairs. The recommendations are in the following areas: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. YoungStar b. Home Visiting c. Public Private Grants 3. Review Stakeholder Recommendations listed in mock-up. It was also noted that the tabled recommendations will come up again in the 2016 needs assessment process. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Other recommendations already defined as ready: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Blue-Print for Comprehensive Screening and Assessment (2) Website to support professional development (3) Child Serving Agencies to sign the Data Compact b. Workgroup report was given with additional information regarding Culture and Professional Development <p>Large Group Consensus: The council was in favor of continuing the work on the recommendations and the report as per the discussion. Council members agreed by a show of hands.</p> 4. The 2015 Report Mock-up Format <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Small group discussion was conducted regarding the tri-fold format. Any comments or suggestions were written directly on the mock-up and will be typed up and brought to the staff as the first step in the review process. 5. Recommendation Next Steps <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Co-chairs will present recommendations to the Governor; anticipated presentation date is before March 2016. b. Comments from the Governor are anticipated by the start of the budget process (March – April 2016). Once this is done, ECAC members will communicate with their representing agency/association regarding the recommendations. c. Co-chairs will follow-up regarding the stakeholder’s recommendations.
	Workgroup chairs: Dave Edie Jennie Mauer	
	Sheila Briggs/Judy Norman-Nunnery	
	Workgroup chair: Katie Roberts	
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	Sheila Briggs Eloise Anderson Tony Evers	
E. New Business 2016 Process	Sheila Briggs/Judy Norman-Nunnery	<p>Planning for the 2016 Needs Assessment and Recommendation Process</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The trailer from PBS Documentary “Raising America” was shown: http://www.raisingofamerica.org/

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	<p>Elizabeth Hudson</p> <p>Sheila Briggs</p>	<p>2. Moving into the next cycle, there will be a needs assessment completed in March/April. The 2016 cycle will build on the 2015 recommendations and not start from the beginning. 2016 will also build on the response from the Governor and stakeholders.</p> <p>a. For the March 2016 meeting the council will reconsider the currently tabled stakeholder recommendations as well as other issues that can be opened. There will also be discussion on the marketing and communication of the 2015 report.</p> <p>Office of Children’s Mental Health will be publishing their report and may be helpful when submitting the recommendations and annual report to the Governor.</p> <p>Small group discussions were conducted to see if any changes to the process were suggested. Any suggestions were taken for the Steering Committee to review.</p>
F. Adjourn	Secretary Anderson	<p>2016 ECAC Meetings: 9:00-12:00:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3/22/16 – Lussier Family Heritage Center (Lake Farm Rd, Madison) • 6/1/16 – Crowne Plaza (East Washington Ave, Madison) • August Strategic Planning TBD • 9/21/16 – Crowne Plaza (East Washington Ave, Madison) • 12/7/16 – Crowne Plaza (East Washington Ave, Madison) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion was made to adjourn • Motion was seconded • Motion to adjourn passed

Members/Designees Present:

Secretary Eloise Anderson
 Superintendent Tony Evers
 Nancy Armbrust
 Fredi-Ellen Bove
 Sheila Briggs
 Dave Edie
 Dee Gokee-Rindal
 Jill Hoiting
 Elizabeth Hudson
 Peter Kelly

Jennie Mauer
 Jose Martinez
 Linda McCart
 Shelby McCulley
 Lana Nenide
 Judy Norman-Nunnery
 Katie Roberts
 Carolyn Stanford Taylor
 Jon Stellmacher
 Carole Trone

Other Attendees:

Jane Belmore
 Bridget Cullen
 Jill Haglund
 Karen Morris
 Amanda Reeve
 LeeAnn Rust
 Jason Wutt