

Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE)
Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council
Wednesday, January 18, 2017
Minutes – Official

The January 18, 2017 meeting of the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Advisory Council was called to order at 1:17 P.M.

Members present were: Ms. Maria Blanco, Ms. Melanie Bronfin, Dr. Jeanne Burns, Ms. Carole Elliot, Mr. James Evans, Ms. Lois Jordan, Ms. Linda Lambert, Ms. Jodi Loar, Dr. Tamanika Odinga, Ms. Paula Polito, Dr. Anthony Recasner, Ms. Cindy Rushing, Ms. Brenda Sharp, Mr. John Warner Smith, Dr. Roberta Vicari, Mr. Kahree Wahid, Dr. Carynn Wiggins and Mr. Young. Leslie Lewis served as a proxy for Ms. Amy Zapata. Ms. Kaffia Arvie, Capt. Stacy Barrett, Senator Regina Barrow, Ms. Contessia Brooks, Ms. Gina Young Cahee, Representative Gary Carter, Representative Frank Hoffman, Mr. Albert Mancuso, Ms. Kim Matherne, Senator Beth Mizell and Chief Dan Wallis were absent.

Representing the Louisiana Department of Education was Jenna Conway.

Public comment was received from Charmaine Caccioppi and Cathy McRay.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Ms. Cindy Rushing.

Dr. Recasner made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 8, 2016 Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council. The Council's response was as follows:

- 1 On motion of Dr. Recasner, and seconded by Ms. Blanco, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council approved the minutes of the December 8, 2016 meeting of the Council.

Alan Young nominated Paula Polito as Chair of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council.

- 2 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Dr. Recasner, the Council approved Ms. Paula Polito as Chair of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council.

Alan Young nominated James Evans as Vice Chair of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council.

- 3 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Ms. Elliot, the Council approved Mr. James Evans as Vice Chair of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council.

Jenna Conway provided a presentation of the report on the Child Care Assistance Program.

- 4 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Dr. Wiggins the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the report on the Child Care Assistance Program.

Jenna Conway provided a presentation on the Family Survey Report.

- 5 On motion of Mr. Young and seconded by Dr. Wiggins the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the presentation of the Family Survey Report.

- 6 On motion of Ms. Loar, and seconded by Ms. Jordan, and with no further business to come before the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council, the January 18, 2017 meeting of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council was adjourned at 3:01 P.M.