

Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE)
Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council
Wednesday, March 21, 2018
Minutes – Unofficial

The March 21, 2018 meeting of the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Advisory Council was called to order at 1:18 P.M.

Members present were: Ms. Melanie Bronfin, Ms. Renee Broussard, Dr. Jeanne Burns, Ms. Ashley Byrd, Lt. Lorre Claiborne, Ms. Carole Elliot, Ms. Dionne Frost, Dr. Tamanika Odinga, Ms. Paula Polito, Dr. Anthony Recasner, Ms. Abigail Iron Rope, Ms. Patricia Triche, Dr. Roberta Vicari, Mr. Kahree Wahid and Mr. Alan Young. Ms. Valarie Laday served as a proxy for Dr. Toni Ledet. Captain Stacey Barrett, Senator Regina Barrow, Ms. Maria Blanco, Ms. Carolyn Bombet, Ms. Contessia Brooks, Ms. Tasha Dennis, Mr. James Evans, Representative Frank Hoffman, Ms. Linda Lambert, Ms. Leslie Lewis, Senator Beth Mizell, Mr. John Warner Smith, Representative Patricia Smith, Ms. Kellie Taylor-White were absent.

Representing the Louisiana Department of Education was Jenna Conway.

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Ms. Paula Polito.

Mr. Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2018 Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council. The Council's response was as follows:

- 1 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Dr. Burns, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council approved the minutes of the February 21, 2018 meeting of the Council.

Jenna Conway provided an update on Louisiana's 2018 Market Rate Survey.

- 2 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Dr. Burns the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the update on Louisiana's 2018 Market Rate Survey.

Jenna Conway provided a presentation on the proposed revisions to Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network*.

- 3 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Dr. Recasner the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council endorsed the proposed revisions to Bulletin 140, *Louisiana Early Childhood Care and Education Network* with the recommendation that any future new four-year-old slots be placed in community-based pre-k settings when possible.

- 4 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Dr. Recasner, and with no further business to come before the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council, the March 21, 2018 meeting of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council was adjourned at 3:08 P.M.

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