

Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Advisory Council
Meeting Minutes Draft
1.24.2020

Council Members present: Leigh Anne Norman, Theresa Nicholls, Marbely Barahona, Jimmy Gore, Brittany Braun, Dana Hubbard, Gina Easterly, Jill Hudson, Jay Isch and Jana Broussard.

EHDI Team Members present: Terri Ibieta, Danielle Mercer, Tri Tran and Susannah Boudreaux

Guests present: Natalie Delgado, Andrea Outhuse, Ashley Argrave, Nicole Deleon and Rachelle Boudreaux

Call to order at 10:03 am.

Jay Isch made a motion to edit the agenda to add in New Business. Jimmy Gore seconded. New Business was added to the agenda following EHDI Program Updates.

Review of Minutes: Gina Easterly motioned to accept minutes from 10.25.19 seconded by Dana Hubbard. Minutes accepted.

EHDI Program Updates: Provided by Program Director Susannah Boudreaux. First update: Dr. Zganjar resigned his position. The Council needs to pursue filling the vacancy for Pediatrician. Second update: shared HRSA and CDC Grant applications and the goals that accompany the funding opportunities. Third update: JCIH 2019 position statement and the highlighted changes respective to Audiologists that will be shared in the Hot Topics newsletter. Fourth Update: National EHDI Meeting in March. EHDI team has two abstracts accepted for poster presentation. Final Update: 2019 Council Activities Reports.

New Business: Jay Isch proposed to amend By Laws to add PPEP Coordinator, Natalie Delgado, to the Council Membership and Council Chair opened the topic for discussion. Jay Isch stated that he felt the Council was unbalanced. Jimmy Gore agreed. Theresa Nicholls stated that she did not feel the Council was unbalanced. Discussion continued around the nature of the request and concerns that it was too specific. Susannah Boudreaux stated that she would follow up with the BFH Legislative Lead to see what altering Council membership would entail and share that information with the Council at the next meeting in April. Theresa Nicholls motioned to table the discussion followed by a second from Jill Hudson.

Committee Reports: *See attached

Community Reports: Jill Hudson announced opening of Blue Bridge Academy in Baton Rouge Spring of 2020. Jay Isch shared that Douglas Ridloff would be performing at Louisiana School for the Deaf, sponsored by Deaf Focus and also announced the upcoming Deaf Education Alliance Summit.

Meeting Adjourned: Motioned by Gina Easterly and seconded by Jill Hudson. Meeting adjourned at 11:06am.

Committees met following the Council Meeting to discuss goals and next steps.

Next Council meeting date is April 3, 2020 at 10am- Lafayette, La.