

Louisiana Department of Education (LDOE)
Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council
Wednesday, November 16, 2016
Minutes – Official

The November 16, 2016 meeting of the Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) Advisory Council was called to order at 1:12 P.M.

Members present were: Capt. Stacy Barrett, Ms. Maria Blanco, Ms. Melanie Bronfin, Ms. Contessia Brooks, Dr. Jeanne Burns, Ms. Gina Young Cahee, Ms. Carole Elliot, Mr. James Evans, Representative Frank Hoffman, Ms. Lois Jordan, Ms. Linda Lambert, Ms. Jodi Loar, Dr. Tamanika Odinga, Ms. Paula Polito, Ms. Cindy Rushing, Ms. Brenda Sharp, Mr. John Warner Smith, Dr. Roberta Vicari, Mr. Kahree Wahid, Ms. Carynn Wiggins and Ms. Amy Zapata.

Ms. Kaffia Arvie, Senator Regina Barrow, Representative Gary Carter, Mr. Albert Mancuso, Ms. Kim Matherne, Senator Blade Morrish, Dr. Anthony Recasner and Chief Dan Wallis were absent.

Representing the Louisiana Department of Education were Erin Bendily, Jenna Conway, and Lisa French.

Board of Elementary and Secondary Education member Ms. Sandy Holloway was present.

Public comment was received from Jimmy Challis Gore, Sherry Guarisco, Toni Ledet and Amanda Rideaux.

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

Mr. Young made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2016 Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council. The Council's response was as follows:

- 1 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Ms. Blanco, the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council approved the minutes of the July 14, 2016 meeting of the Council.

- 2 The council agreed to take Agenda Item VI "Consideration of revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations*" out of order, and hear it after Agenda Item VII "Consideration of a discussion on early childhood developmental screenings and pre-K discipline"

Erin Bendily provided a presentation on Louisiana’s Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) draft framework.

- 3 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Mr. Evans the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the presentation on Louisiana’s Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) draft framework.

Cindy Rushing provided an update on the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council Work Group on the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

- 4 On motion of Mr. Young, and seconded by Ms. Loar the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the update on the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council Work Group on the Early Childhood Care and Education Network.

Jenna Conway and Lisa French provided an update on early childhood developmental screenings and pre-K discipline.

- 5 On motion of Mr. Evans, and seconded by Mr. Young the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the update on the update on early childhood developmental screenings and pre-K discipline.

Jenna Conway provided a presentation on the proposed revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations*.

- 6 On motion of Dr. Odinga and seconded by Ms. Loar the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council endorsed the proposed revisions to Bulletin 137, *Louisiana Early Learning Center Licensing Regulations*.

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Ms. Brooks, Ms. Cahee, Ms. Elliot, Ms. Jordan, Ms. Loar, Dr. Odinga, Ms. Rushing, Mr. Smith and Ms. Wiggins.

Nays: Ms. Blanco, Ms. Bronfin, Dr. Burns, Mr. Evans, Ms. Polito, and Dr. Vicari.

The motion passed.

Jenna Conway provided a presentation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council Quarterly Report- Quarter 3.

- 7 On motion of Mr. Smith, and seconded by Mr. Evans the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council received the presentation of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council Quarterly Report- Quarter 3.

- 8 On motion of Mr. Smith, and seconded by Ms. Loar, and with no further business to come before the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council, the November 16, 2016 meeting of the Early Childhood Care and Education Advisory Council was adjourned at 4:36 P.M.