

MINUTES OF EARLY LEARNING COORDINATING COUNCIL
Kansas Children's Cabinet & Trust Fund Conference Room
Landon State Office Building, Room 152
900 SW Jackson, Topeka, Kansas
Thursday, September 10, 2009
1:00 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Present: Mary Baskett, Kansas Head Start Association

Doug Bowman, Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Developmental Services
Jackie Counts, University of KS, Institute for Educational Research & Public Service
Rebecca Gillam, University of KS, Institute for Educational Research & Public Service
Leadell Ediger, Kansas Association of Child Care Resource & Referral Agencies (KACCRRRA)
Gayle Stuber, Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE)
Carol Ayres, Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE)
Janet Newton, Kansas State Department of Education (KSDE)
Carolyn Nelson, Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE)
Bobbi Mariani, Kansas Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services (SRS)
Karen Beckerman, Kansas Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services (SRS)
Carrie Hastings, Kansas Department of Social & Rehabilitation Services (SRS)
Tiffany Fisher, Kansas Coalition for School Readiness/Kansas Action for Children
David Lindeman, ECHO Consortium II Project, University of Kansas,
Life Span Institute, *via telephone & webinar*
Dana Moses, Kansas Head Start State Based T&TA, *via telephone & webinar*
Tracie Lansing, Kansas Children's Service League, *via telephone & webinar*
Jim Redmon, Kansas Children's Cabinet and Trust Fund (KCCTF)
Dyogga Adegbore, KCCTF

Welcome and Introductions

Jim Redmon welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked for introductions.

Early Childhood Advisory Council Goals and Objectives and Crosswalk with Key Elements

Jackie Counts and Rebecca Gillam went over proposed Kansas ECAC goals and objectives presented in power point format. The presentation was also available via GoToMeeting for phone participants. The ELCC critiqued and discussed the four goals and provided feedback for revisions. A graphic that resembled an organizational chart depicted more formalized and bi-directional communication between stakeholders and the ECAC was proposed. Jim clarified that the draft organizational chart was included merely as a way of diagramming the coordination efforts and focus connecting the four ECAC goals with the five goals of KECCS. It was not intended to reflect an early childhood governance hierarchy. The original figure will be replaced with narrative describing the goal of and approach for a communication plan that supports the KECCS and depicts the relationship among ECAC, KECCS and the various early childhood partner groups. A flow chart or concentric circles were proposed as alternatives to the graphic, ELCC members are encouraged to brainstorm graphics and submit them to Jackie and Rebecca.

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Jim is looking into how best to address the public hearings process, which is required prior to submission of the grant application. The October 16 KECCS stakeholders meeting seems to be the most feasible mechanism for conducting the hearing and for receiving feedback about the proposed goals and objectives from a large and diverse group of early childhood professionals. Jackie and Rebecca presented a timeline for completing the ECAC application, and will have a draft to the ELCC for review in late September. After opportunity for public comment in late October, the application will be completed and submitted in early November.

Refine and agree on goals and objectives to proceed (Sept 10th).

- Agree on starting point for work group structure (Sept 10th).
- Receive draft of ECAC proposal (Sept. 28th).
- Review draft and provide feedback (Oct. 12th).
- Public hearings and feedback (Oct. 16th to Oct. 30th).
- Submit ECAC plan for funding (Nov. 11th).

The ELCC viewed and agreed with the proposed timeline for preparing for submission of the ECAC application.

The ELCC reached consensus on the wording of each goal.

Results-Based Accountability follow up and next steps

Rebecca Gillam remarked that trend data, line graphics and the story behind the data will be provided at next week's Results-Based Accountability workgroup meeting. The meeting is Monday, September 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Anton Room, #202 of the Topeka Shawnee County Public Library. Lunch will be provided.

Kansas Coalition for School Readiness Update

Tiffany Fisher reported attending a Kansas House Appropriations Committee monthly meeting recently. There was no discussion about early childhood programs or initiatives.

Cabinet Update

Jim reported that the Kansas Children's Cabinet will be conducting its first fall board meeting Friday, September 18 from 9:00 a.m. to noon at the SRS Learning Center. The Cabinet will be reviewing the Children's Initiatives Fund (CIF) programs and receive briefing by the KU Institute for Educational Research and Public Service on the accountability process. J

Jim also reported good news about the 2009 Community-Based Child Abuse Prevention (CBCAP) federal award. The Cabinet received its largest award yet at \$808,464.

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KECCS Stakeholder Meeting Update

Jackie and Rebecca distributed a draft agenda for the KECCS Stakeholders meeting, updated since the last ELCC meeting. The ELCC made minor revisions and agreed on the agenda for the meeting. The KECCS meeting will be held Friday, October 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the Courtyard By Marriott hotel in Salina.

Future Meeting Dates:

<i>Mon., Sept. 14</i>	<i>10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</i>	<i>Results-Based Accountability workgroup/lunch – Anton Room, #202, Topeka-Shawnee County Public Library, 1515 SW 10th Avenue</i>
<i>Fri., October 9</i>	<i>1:00 – 3:00 p.m.</i>	<i>ELCC meeting at Children’s Cabinet</i>
<i>Fri., Oct. 16</i>	<i>8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.</i>	<i>KECCS Stakeholders at Courtyard By Marriott, Salina</i>
<i>Tues., Nov 3</i>	<i>1:00 – 3:00 p.m.</i>	<i>ELCC meeting at Children’s Cabinet</i>
<i>Thurs., Dec. 10</i>	<i>1:00 – 3:00 p.m.</i>	<i>ELCC meeting at Children’s Cabinet</i>

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 2:45 p.m.