



**Commission on Child Care**  
**Full Commission Meeting-Meeting Minutes**  
**February 24, 2021-Approved**  
**Virtual Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams**

**Members Present:** Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, Barbara Andrews, L’Ornya Bowie, Hashan Chowdhury, Tracey Clay, Will Hegwood, Bill Polman, Tara Philips, and Verna Washington

**Members Absent:** Yvonne Iscandari, Ed Krauze and Sherry Tsigousnis

**Guests Present:** Alicia Cross (OCCD)

**Staff Present:** Erin Stillwell (DHHS)

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**Meeting Called to Order:** Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, chair, called the virtual meeting to order at 6:09 pm

**Roll Call and Introduction of Guests**

- Alicia Cross, Guest from Organization of Child Care Directors

**Review and Vote on Meeting Minutes:**

Review and Vote on January 27, 2021 Meeting Minutes

**ACTION: Motion to Accept Minutes from January 27, 2021**

Motion: L’Ornya Bowie

2<sup>nd</sup>: Tracey Clay

All in favor

**Commission Business:**

- **Work Plan Discussion**
  - Lindsey presented the updated work plan for the CCC
  - CCC will focus on identifying “sprints” (parts of the action plan that can be manageable task/items the CCC members can accomplish in a 1-3-month period)
- **ECEI Action Plan Update**
  - Barbara provide updates on ECEI Action Plan as it relates to the upcoming budget
  - Recovery efforts are going on at the same time as action plan
  - Focus remains on sustainability, access, and affordability
- **CCC “Sprint” Plan**
  - First “sprint” will focus on the budget review and recommendation process; however, will try to incorporate concerns (stories) from child care providers

who are struggling to remain in business as the result of the pandemic; end product should result in testimony (letter) to CE and CC

- **Discussion: House Bill 1307**
  - No action will be taken at this time
- **Discussion; Email from Coalition for School Age Child Care**
  - Bill Polman had been working with the Coalition and was aware of their concerns about MCPS and public space
  - No action will be taken at this time

**Next Steps/Action Items:**

- **Future Work Item:**
  - Tara will connect with center directors to compiling stories/experiences to possibly use in written testimony
  - Tracy will connect with center directors to compile stories/experiences; also, can assist with reviewing the budget
  - L'Ornya will assist with the budget review/analysis and assist with edits of testimony
  - Lindsey will provide oversight/leadership and will help create "assignments" to guide the progression of this "sprint"; also update the workplan

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm