

Commission on Child Care Annual Planning Retreat-Meeting Minutes October 28, 2020 Virtual Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams

Members Present: Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, Barbara Andrews, L'Ornya Bowie, Tracey Clay, William Hegwood, Ed Krauze, Sybil Philip, Tara Philips, Bill Polman and Verna Washington

Members Absent: Hashan Chowdhury, Yvonne Iscandari and Greg Smith

Guests Present: Sarah Wilch-Spamer (DHHS), Jennifer Rooms, Josefina Rios and Nuri Fuens

Staff Present: Erin Stilwell (DHHS)

Meeting Called to Order: Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, Chair, called the virtual meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call and Introduction of Guests: Jennifer Rooms and Sarah Wilch-Spamer introduced as guests; Josefina Rios and Nuri Fuens recorded as guests

Chair's Opening Remarks

• Moving forward with revised meeting structure, timekeeper and guardian of each meeting, structured agenda/utilization of protocols where appropriate, etc.

Review and Vote on Meeting Minutes:

Review and Vote on September 23, 2020 Meeting Minutes

ACTION: Motion to Accept Minutes

Motion: Sybil Philips 2nd: Bill Polman All in favor

Commission Business

• Review, Finalize and Vote on Policy Priority:

CCC 2020-21 Policy Priority: Support the County's child care system through response and recovery by providing feedback to Council/County Executive on the ECE initiative action plan and MMF's roadmap for ECE, maintaining a specific focus on attention to equity and operational recovery.

ACTION: Motion to Accept CCC's 2020-21 Policy Priority:

Motion: L'Ornya Bowie 2nd Sybil Philip All in favor

• Discussion/Presentation

Dr. Barbara Andrews, Administrator, ECS: provided a brief report out on the ECE Initiative Action Plan

- Due to Covid, shifting priorities from Expansion to:
 - Sustainability (reduction costs for early educators)
 - Access and Affordability (improve access and affordability for families; looking at WPA)
 - Alignment (create partnerships for ease of access)
 - Expansion (expand supply and options for high quality early education)
- o Financing: initial budget of \$7 million
- o Plan will include First Year Report which will show accomplishments to date
- o Plan will be officially released in coming weeks

• 2019-20 Annual Report Recommendations Discussion

Will has volunteered to draft the language from the recommendations portion of the report; recommendations will be circulated to full CCC prior to November $18^{\rm th}$ meeting

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm