



**Commission on Child Care  
Annual Planning Retreat-Meeting Minutes  
December 16, 2020-Approved  
Virtual Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams**

**Members Present:** Barbara Andrews, L'Ornya Bowie, Hashan Chowdhury Tracey Clay, William Hegwood, Yvonne Iscandari, Ed Krauze, Sybil Philip, Tara Philips, Bill Polman and Verna Washington

**Members Absent:** Lindsey Allard-Agnamba and Sherry Tsigounis

**Guests Present:** Sarah Wilch-Spamer (DHHS) and Alicia Cross (OCCD)

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

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**Meeting Called to Order:** Sybil Philp (standing in for Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, Chair) called the virtual meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**Roll Call and Introduction of Guests**

**Review and Vote on Meeting Minutes:**

Review and Vote on November 18, 2020 Meeting Minutes

**ACTION: Motion to Accept Minutes from November 18, 2020**

Motion: Hashan Chowdhury

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ed Krauze

All in favor

**Commission Business:**

- **Work Plan Discussion focusing on:**
  - Sustainability
  - Access and Affordability
  - Alignment
  - Summary of discussion: The CCC needs to identify ways to share insights/concerns about Covid recovery with appropriate sources (i.e., CE and CCC); identify where the general public gets their information on these topics
- **Montgomery Moving Forward: ECE Entity Project Discussion:**
  - Summary of discussion: concern that entity project does not address school age child care; CCC historically has focused on looking at school age child care issues

**Updates:**

- Yvonne Iscandari: Awaiting updated information to be released from MSDE
- Bill Polman: Still working on child care hubs
  - 66 child care hubs are currently open; 3 more will open before the winter holidays
  - Children's Opportunity Fund is working on equity hubs for MCPS school aged children
- Verna Washington: Concern about vaccine administration for child care providers and teachers who are current on the frontlines (letter from State Superintendent)

**Next Steps/Action Items:**

- Work on draft plan for the year: Will, Tracey and Hashan have volunteered to update the plan
- Tara is attending MMF meeting tomorrow, will raise concerns about school aged care not being present in entity project; full commission might decide to provide additional follow up to MMF (will discuss at January 2020 meeting)
- Follow-up on sending letter to Gov. Hogan about vaccine prioritization for child care providers (Erin will discuss with Lindsey)

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.