



**Early Childhood Coordinating Council Retreat**  
**Wednesday, April 13, 2016**  
**Location: MCCA Training Institute**  
**8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Barbara Andrews, Jennifer Arnaiz, JoAnn Barnes, Rosalba Bonilla-Acosta, Jody Burghardt, Deann Collins, Carl Eggleston, Patsy Evans, Joan Glick, Kim Grant, Michelle Green, Helma Irving (for Meredith Myers), April Kaplan, Carol Legarreta, Bernadine Occhiuzzo, Linda Owen, Tobi Printz-Platnick, Natasha Ramberg, Hilda Richards, Claudia Simmons, Becky Smith, Portia Willis

**Members Absent:** Stephanie Brant, Amy Cropp, Dede Marshall, Vivian Yao

**Staff Present:** Sarah Wilch-Spamer, DHHS

**Guests Present:** Vickie DiSanto, Clotilde Puertolas, Valerie Rajotte, Crystal Ruiz

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**Deann Collins called the meeting to order at 8:45 a.m.**

**Action:** Approval of the summary of the February 10, 2016 Early Childhood Coordinating Council (ECCC) meeting—Motion: Linda Owen; Second: Tobi Printz-Platnick. All in favor.

**Action:** Vote on 2016-2017 ECCC Executive Committee Slate: Barbara Andrews (Co-Chair), Deann Collins (Co-Chair), Michelle Green, Dede Marshall, Linda Owen. Motion: Bernadine Occhiuzzo; Second: Natasha Ramberg. All in favor.

**UPDATES:**

**Membership:** The formation and membership of the Early Childhood Coordinating Council has been approved.

**Bylaws:** The ECCC bylaws have been updated and are currently with the County Attorney's Office.

**Website:** Website has been updated to reflect the change to the ECCC.

**Strategic Planner:** Otero Strategy Group has started their work and will determine next steps after the retreat today.

**Policy Officer:** Interview panels are complete; next step is Office of Human Resources.

**State/County Budgets:** State grants are flat funded for FY17. Montgomery County Council meetings are underway. Early Childhood Services meetings are scheduled for April 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. The County budget will be completed in May.

**Early Childhood Services Move:** All of Montgomery County Early Childhood Services offices are moving and should be in the new location by April 20, 2016. Additional County programs will move into the building at a later date. The new address is 1401 Rockville Pike, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor; Rockville, MD. 20852.

**COMMITTEES:**

Committees met to discuss their recommendations as the ECCC moves forward—recommendations will be sent to all at a later date.

**DISCUSSION ON ECCC PRIORITY #1 AND MCPS ROLE:**

Deann Collins led a discussion around ECCC priority number to gather additional information on possible next steps

**STRATEGIC PLANNING WITH OTERO STRATEGY GROUP:**

The Otero Strategy Group provided a summary of the scope of their work with the ECCC and led the membership in a Guiding Questions Activity and Gallery Walk Activity. Results of the activities will be sent to the membership at a later date.

**BREAK AND LUNCH**

**FUNDER'S COLLABORATIVE REGIONAL NETWORK FOCUS QUESTIONS:**

Barbara led a discussion around the Stakeholder Engagement handout of the Washington Region Early Care & Education Workforce Network.

**ECCC Meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.**