



Location: 1130 N Eglin Pkwy, Shalimar, FL 32579

Date: 12.14.2023

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Board Approved: April 26, 2024

# Program Committee Meeting Minutes

## **Program Committee Members Present:**

Ray Sansom, Private Sector - Radar Group - Chair - Via Zoom

Don Edwards, Private Sector - Renasant Bank - Via Zoom

Kathy Curry, Representative of faith-based childcare providers - Director

Kristen Murdy, Representative of private for-profit childcare providers - Director of Operations

Amanda Colwell, Okaloosa County Health Department Assistant Director – Via Zoom

## **Program Committee Members Absent:**

None

## **Coalition Staff Present:**

Dana Hodges, CEO

Angie Strumeyer, COO

Lori Monson, Compliance Manager

Sharon Pierce, Eligibility/CCR&R Manager

Deanna Hernandez, Executive Administrator

## **Public Present:**

None

I. Call to Order - Ray Sansom calls the meeting to order at 11:05 am

II. Agenda

Motion Result: Motion to approve the Agenda as presented- Unanimous

Motion – Amanda Colwell

Second – Kathy Curry

III. New Business

a. Non-Compliance Policy Enforcement

Angie reminds the Committee about the policy which the Board approved earlier this year. Lori asks the Committee for guidance on policy enforcement and how to report out to providers. Discussions take place.

b. SR Enrollments Update

Sharon reports that her department has a full team now and the queue is completely caught up. They are currently focusing on increasing enrollments.

Dana speaks on the new formula to be rolled out by DEL next fiscal year.

c. VPK Update

i. Sharon advises that VPK Registration and provider profile updates begin January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Angie talks about VPK round-ups.



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d. Monitoring Update

Lori reports that monitoring is currently in progress.

e. ECE Advisory Update

Kristen talks about the meeting that took place stating that it was a wonderful opportunity to network and start bridging the gaps between the community and early childhood education.

f. 2024 Conference

Dana provides an update on the event and discusses sponsorships.

g. Children's Week

This year Children's week takes place February 25, 2024 - March 1, 2024, in Tallahassee. The hanging of the hands occurs February 25<sup>th</sup>. Kristen has volunteered a bus to drive any childcare providers to Tallahassee to attend Storybook Village.

h. ELC Storybook Village 10/26/24

The ELC will partner with United Fidelity Bank to put on our 2<sup>nd</sup> Storybook Village in October 2024.

i. ARPA Discussion

We tabled the discussion for now.

IV. Old Business

None

V. CEO Updates

Dana provided updates on the following topics:

1. Discussions on Stipends & Scholarships for Teachers
2. VPK designation (Formula)
3. FAST

VI. Public Comment

None

VII. Adjournment

Ray adjourned the meeting at 12:03pm

Respectfully Submitted,  
Deanna Hernandez  
Executive Administrator