



Location: 1130 N Eglin Pkwy, Shalimar, FL 32579

Date: 3.24.2025

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Board Approved: 5.16.25

Program Committee Meeting Minutes

Program Committee Members Present:

Kristen Murdy, Representative of private for-profit childcare providers - Zoom
Kathy Curry, Representative of faith-based childcare providers
Kim Cox, Private Sector, Origin Bank
Jeff Brown, Private Sector, Bridging Analytics - Zoom
Julie Webb, Private Sector – ASHA - Zoom
Lindsay Roberts, Private Sector - Osprey Title - Zoom

Program Committee Members Absent:

Dr. Sandy Arteaga, Northwest Florida State College President's Appointee
Amy Bowles, Okaloosa County Schools Appointee - Zoom
Amanda Colwell, Okaloosa County Health Department Appointee
Victoria Ebert, Private Sector - RC Hospitality - Zoom

Coalition Staff Present:

Dana Hodges, CEO
Angie Strumeyer, COO
Tawanda Brown, Education Manager
Lori Monson, Compliance Manager
Deanna Hernandez, Executive Administrator

Public Present:

None

- I. Call to Order – Kristen called the meeting is called to order at 8:32 am
- II. Consent Agenda

Kathy made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda as presented.
Motion is carried by unanimous vote.

III. New Business

a. Non-Compliance Policy*

Lori reviews the changes that were made to the policy. Angie discusses the steps involved when violations lead to a non-compliance and how the policy aligned the severity of the non-compliance with the DCF rubric.

Kim C. made a motion to approve the Non-Compliance Policy. Motion is carried by unanimous vote.

b. Communication

Angie updates the Committee on the application that was chosen through procurement for communicating using text messaging.

Lori mentions that she is currently working on a checklist for the provider contract deliverables.



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c. Conference Presentation Selection

Tawanda explains that the submissions are from Early Childhood Educators throughout our community to present at the Spring Conference. They were selected for consideration by the following criteria:

- relevance to the early learning classroom
- emphasis on quality interactions
- developmentally appropriate practices
- classroom management
- behavior management
- social & emotional development

Tawanda provides a brief overview of each presentation.

Jeff made a motion to approve the Conference Presentations as selected.
Motion is carried by unanimous vote.

d. Stipend Discussion

Dana announces that there have been 118 stipend applications approved, and requests ideas on how to roll out phase two. Discussions take place with several suggestions being made.

IV. Public Comment

Dana talks about the 5K event taking place on April 5th, 2025. She asks the Committee members to encourage people to register for the event.

V. Adjournment

Kristen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion is carried by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourns at 9:17am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Deanna Hernandez
Executive Administrator