

Nevada EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC)

“Nevada’s children will be safe, healthy, and thriving during the first eight years of life, and the system will support children and families in achieving their full potential.”

Public Meeting
Tuesday, August 4, 2015
9:00 AM

Meeting Locations by Video Conferencing

Las Vegas: Nevada Department of Education, Board Room
9890 S Maryland Parkway, Suite 221, Las Vegas, 89183

Carson City: Nevada Department of Education, Board Room
700 E Fifth Street, Carson City, 89701

Reno: Early Childhood Professional Development Center, Training Room
240 S. Rock Blvd, Suite 143, Reno, 89502

Elko: 850 Elm Street, ECSD Admin Conference Room
Elko, NV 89801

Ely: 995 Campton Street, WPC COOP Ext
Ely, NV 89301

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AGENDA

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

Marty Elquist, Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council Chair

2. Public Comment #1

Public Comment will be taken during this agenda item regarding any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter discussed under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. The Council Chair of the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council will impose a time limit of three minutes. Public Comment #2 will provide an opportunity for public comment on any matter within the Council’s jurisdiction, control or advisory power.

3. Approval of Flexible Agenda

(For Possible Action) Marty Elquist, Council Chair

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

(Information, Possible Action) Information concerning the following consent agenda items has been provided to Board members for study prior to the meeting. Unless a Board member has a question concerning a particular item and asks that it be withdrawn from the consent list, items are approved through one action.

Approval of June 2nd, 2015 minutes

5. Item A: Election of the Officer Positions

(Information/Discussion/Possible Action) Marty Elquist, Council Chair

6. Item B: Subcommittees Based on the ECCS Asset Map

(Information/Discussion/Possible Action) Council will consider and may form, name, and assign members to subcommittees based on the revised ECCS Asset Map.

Marty Elquist, Council Chair

Materials: ECCS Asset Map

7. Item C: Revision of Silver State Strong Plan

(Information/Discussion/Possible Action) Council will consider the existing Silver State Strong Plan along with possible revisions to it based on funding changes, policy decisions, and other changes to the challenges confronting Nevada's early childhood population. Possible actions include revisions to the existing plan, directions to staff to prepare draft changes, or delegation of revision to subcommittees.

Marty Elquist, Council Chair

Materials: Silver State Strong Plan

8. Item D: Revision of Nevada ECAC By-laws

(Information/Discussion/Possible Action) Council will receive an update on the revision of the bylaws from the subcommittee

Marty Elquist, Council Chair

Materials: Revised Bylaws

9. Item E: Updates

(Information/Discussion) Updates from NevAEYC.

Carrie Paldi, Creative Kids Learning Center

10. Item F: Local ECAC

(Information/Discussion) Updates from the local ECAC

11. Item G: Teaching Strategies Gold (TSG)

(Information /Discussion) Updates from TSG about their birth through third grade assessments

12. Item H: KRA

(Information/Discussion) Updates about the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment (KRA)

Maryland/Ohio Consortium

13. Item I: SS Kids Pilot Evaluation

*(Discussion/ Possible Action) The council will receive an update from the SS Kids Pilot Evaluation.
Deborah Loesch-Griffin*

14. Item J: Early Childhood Inclusion Conference

*(Discussion) Council will receive information on the Early Childhood Inclusion Conference.
Sherry Halley: NDE*

15. Item K: P-20 Council

*(Discussion/ Possible Action) The council will be updated on the progress of the P-20 Council.
Kimberly Regan*

16. Item L: Overview of Assessment

*(Discussion/ Possible Action) The council will receive information about NDE Office of Early Learning and Development goals, objectives, new initiatives, and next steps.
Steve Canavero NDE*

17. Item M: Nevada ECAC Responsibilities By Statute and Funding April 7th- October 1st, 2015

*(Information/Discussion/Possible Action) The council will discuss current responsibilities stated by statute and funding.
Marty Elquist, Council Chair*

18. Item N: ECE Public Policy Updates

*(Information/Discussion) The Children's Advocacy Alliance will update the council on public policies.
Children's Advocacy Alliance*

19. Item O: Future Agenda Items

*(Discussion/ Possible Action) Council will discuss what they would like on the upcoming agendas.
Marty Elquist, Council Chair*

20. Public Comment #2

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21. Adjournment