



Nevada Early Childhood
Advisory Council

NEVADA EARLY CHILDHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL (ECAC)
EARLY LEARNING SUBCOMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 31, 2020
11:00 AM

“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.”

Meeting Locations:

This meeting will be video conferenced and/or call-in number will be provided as needed. Please e-mail Rachel Schmidt at rschmidt@doe.nv.gov for call-in information.

Office	Address	City	Meeting Room
Due to COVID-19, the meeting was held virtually via LifeSize.			

SUMMARY MINUTES OF THE EARLY LEARNING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

1. Welcome, Call to Order, and Roll Call

Tina Springmeyer, Committee Co-Chairs

Tina Springmeyer, Early Learning Subcommittee Co-chair, called the meeting to order, 1am. Quorum is met.

Subcommittee members in Attendance:

- Tina Springmeyer, WCSD PreK and Early Learning Standards, Co-chair
- Anna Severens, NDE Office of Early Learning and Development
- Kacey Edgington, WCSD Kindergarten Coordinator
- Sara Cunningham, NWRPDP Director
- Shelly Nye, NV Registry
- Sherry Waugh, Director, University of Nevada, Reno- Child and Family Research Center
- Kaitlin Lewallen, NDE OELD B-3rd Grade Workforce Development Coordinator
- Emily Champlin, NDE QRIS Administrator
- Daina Loeffler, NDE Early Childhood Special Education; Part B- 619 Coordinator

2. Public Comment #1

No Public Comment regarding any item appearing on the agenda at this time.

No Public Comment on any matter within the Committee’s jurisdiction, control or advisory power at this time.

The Committee moves on to item #3.

3. Approval of Flexible Agenda

Motion:

- Daina Loeffler moved for the approval of flexible agenda.
- Shelly Nye seconded the motion.
- All were in favor.
- Motion carried. Flexible agenda approved



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4. **Item A: COVID-19 Check-In and Updates- How are you doing? Sharing plans and resources**

Tina Springmeyer, Committee Co-Chair

Several members gave updates of what they have been doing and/or working on amidst these challenging times.

5. **Item B: Review KPI Data and ECAC Early Learning Dashboard and Previous work done to assign owners/contributors/update**

(For Possible Action)

Tina Springmeyer, Committee Co-Chair

The Dashboard has been updated with all of the changes that the committee discussed at our last meeting with Kathleen from OnStrategy. Anna is working on regular updates and assignments, and encouraged other members to familiarize themselves with the Dashboard and to do the same related to any strategies they may be listed as owners or contributors or have anything to report.

ACTION ITEM: Tina will send out OnStrategy Tutorial Link.

6. **Item C: Review and/or Update Strategic Plan and Action Steps and discuss progress made and/or next steps**

Any progress to discuss or report:

Objective 1:

- One message (i.e. flyer, infographic, etc.)- It is unclear where we are with this strategy as it was being led by Brad Bauler from DCA. Tina will check with Marty if she has any updates or next steps.

Objective 2: (Anna/Kacey/Kaitlin)

- PreK-K transition document work/progress: Kaitlin is taking the lead through Ed Counsel.
- B-3 Update work with Education Council: OELD is receiving TA from Ed Counsel to help with this work. Kaitlin has a meeting later this week to further discuss our needs and next steps.
- B-3 professional leadership program, SEAD Summit, etc.: UNR has submitted a letter of intent for a grant that would include support for our PLP. They will be notified later this spring if asked to submit whole application. Grant awards were expected to be awarded this summer, but may be delay given COVID-19.
- SEAD Summit: Planning for 2nd annual summit for administrators and school leaders that was going to be held at UNLV in July is on hold due to COVID-19. May be looking into doing something virtual or postponing. Hope to continue to incorporate B-3 track.
- PreK-Kindergarten Summer Institute: Two people plan to attend in NC in July. We hope to secure funding in the future to bring such an opportunity to NV so more people can attend summer 2021 to help work towards implementation.

Objective 3:

- Local ECAC recommendations, funding possibilities, etc.: NevAEYC provided support for Carson/Douglas and Tri-County ECACs. If other local ECACs need support, should contact John Cregg if limited funding is available.
- Incentive opportunities for B-3 implementation: No funding identified to date.

Objective 5: (Shelly/John)

- Compensation and wages task force progress: No progress to date

Objective 6:

- Integrated data system task force: Christell (Child Care Administrator) is working on supporting related work related to subsidy within their strategic plan.



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7. **Item D: Update on PDG 0-5 standards alignment work: Learning, Workforce, and Program Standards and/or identifying overlap with our action steps**

Update from Key Partners:

Learning Standards, Tina Springmeyer: Waiting for recommendations from SRI to move forward.

Workforce Standards, Shelly Nye: Remaining SRI contract will focus on Workforce work pending continued contract to be approved by BOE. Once approved, this work would continue through June 30, 2020 focusing on 1) Developing leadership competencies; 2) Developing emerging competencies; and 3) Developing more in-depth, deeper dive types of trainings. A smaller group will begin meeting again once contract is approved. We need to consider work already done related to PLP competencies and/or TNTP, etc.

Program Standards, Emily Champlin: QRIS is working to align all of their models which include CLASS training for all coaches focusing on interactions. They are working on revising several quality indicators in the Center and LEA models to hopefully roll out by April 30th. Family Child Care Model indicators may be revised later in summer.

8. **Public Comment #2**

No public comment.

9. **Adjournment**

Adjourn: 11:34am

Next meeting: Tina will send out a Doodle to select May meeting time.

ACTION STEP: Next meeting we will approve February and March minutes.