



South Carolina First Steps to School Readiness
Board of Trustees
April 21, 2016
Conference Call

DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present (13)

Ken Wingate, Chair
Julie Hussey, Vice Chair
Roger Pryor
Rick Noble
Tim Holt
Mary Lynn Diggs
Alexia Newman
Evelyn Patterson
Jennifer McConnell
Catherine Heigel
Christian Soura
Kathryn Burkhalter
Dr. Amy Williams
Judith Aughtry

Members Absent (11)

Superintendent Molly Spearman
Senator Mike Fair
Senator Gerald Malloy
Rep. Rita Allison
Rep. Jerry Govan
Dr. Beverly Buscemi
Susan Alford
Tracy Lamb
Sue Williams
Walter Fleming

Others Present:

Julia-Ellen Davis
Dr. Dan Wuori
Mark Barnes
Rebecca Brown
Samantha Ingram

Mr. Wingate called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm, noted the presence of a quorum and reminded those in attendance that the meeting was being held in compliance with the SC Freedom of Information Act.

Mr. Wingate stated the primary purpose of the meeting was to consider and act upon the Early Head Start – Child Care Partnership refunding application and budget justification, Appendix A, and

the Training and Technical Assistance Plan. Mr. Wingate noted that the board received the related documents by email and had an opportunity to review it in its entirety.

Mr. Wingate called upon Roger Pryor, Chairman, Early Head Start Governance Council, which recommended the Early Head Start refunding application and budget justification, Appendix A, and the Training and Technical Assistance Plan. Mr. Pryor, Ms. Rebecca Brown and Dr. Dan Wuori answered questions from board members and provided clarification as needed.

Ms. Mary Lynne Diggs suggested adding data and referring to the Head Start Health Network and Healthy Start in the narrative. In addition, Ms. Diggs asked the board to consider a partnership with that group since they are present in most of the Early Head Start service area and serve the same population by mandate. Ms. Diggs also gave input about the upcoming changes to single audits of nonprofits and suggested that the governing body be mindful of those changes now.

After discussion, the board unanimously approved the Early Head Start – Child Care Partnership refunding application, which includes the Training and Technical Assistance Plan.

Mr. Pryor brought the budget justification before the board. After discussion, the board unanimously approved the budget.

There being no additional business, the Board adjourned at 2:35 pm.

Kenneth B. Wingate, Chairman
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