

NC Pre-K Committee Minutes

7/13/23

Committee Members Present: Mike Blackwelder, Tara Lynn Sullivan, Cheryl Mandle, Emily Nanny, Latoya Scott, Janet Singerman, Amber Pierce, Michael Jones,

Committee Members Absent: Jessica McMullen, Cathy Henderson and Annette Grier

Staff Present: Erika Ugues, Cher Holcomb, Teresa Beam

Guests: Mary-Margaret Kantor, Kim De Leon, Bridgett Potts, Chris Law

Teresa Beam called the meeting to order at 8:34 with a quorum met

Mike Blackwelder motioned to approve minutes for January 12^h meeting. Janet Singerman seconded the motion. No opposition and all voted in favor.

Follow up on Site Monitoring

Current Site Data

Current Site structure presented to NC Pre-K Committee members. NC Pre-K located in 25 Centers, 79 classrooms.

TS Gold & PAST data

Data was presented comparing 3rd trimester to Staggered entry

Janet Singerman asked if there is state wide data on the progress of all children across the state

Attendance and late entry is continuing to have an impact on assessment

Attendance

The average attendance for the 22-23 school year was 82.76% for the CMS program. The goal is 92%.

Family Engagement

Focus is to increase in family reading. Parent workshops offered. Ready Rosie is another platform used to promote family engagement. 73% first trimester, 67% 2nd trimester and 69% utilization 93% Positive parent and child relationship modules have the largest viewing from parents. Families accessed health and well-being the most

Professional Development

Several opportunities for staff to attend PD

EC LETRS

21 Teachers completed

3 New Directors completed

Administrative Actions

9 of our sites had actions. We would like for directors to contact us next year if actions are issued with the date, the action and the steps taken to correct.

Budget Status: Quarterly information shared with Committee Members. All budget lines depleted funds by June 30th.

Placements

Currently NC Pre-K placements are at 45%. CMS continues to screen and place children on a weekly basis.

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Meeting Dates

Latoya moved to approve and Emily Nanny seconded.

Conflict of Interest Policy

Janet moved to approve and Emily Nanny seconded.

Assurance and Requirements

Janet moved to approve and Emily Nanny was the second

Transportation and Meals

Janet moved to approve and Amber Pierce was the second

Program Plans – can we vote all together

Jennifer Griffith said we can vote together. In Suspension Prevention plan- there is MTSS. Janet would like to know how we are implementing are using the MTSS plan in our private sites. Janet wants to make sure the pyramid model is being used as well. Janet motioned to approve and Emily Nanny was the second.

Reallocate Slots

Janet clarified that the slots allocated need to be moved from previously approved locations. We need to add that language to the policy. Janet Singerman moved to approve and Michael Jones was the second.

NC Pre-K Program Updates

Moved some items from additional guidance. When referencing the guidance, please make sure you are using the additional guidance. MCV children will not be counted absent against reimbursement rates. The reimbursement rates have been revised. Categorical eligibility is now in the program. Site can keep a long term sub in the classroom for the year and get reimbursed. Interim Director can also stay in the position for the school year. Supplemental pay has now been moved into the reimbursement rate for the center. Sites will not receive the \$244 per teacher bonus.

CDC Director Update – no update

Meck Pre-K

Great end of the year data as well. We have a new system in place for dual enrollment. This will eliminate August withdrawals. 105 classrooms in 47 childcare facilities. We moved out of centers where we had both programs. They are having mass screenings for two weeks.

Next Steps

Share the MTSS updates with the committee.

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