

# Commission on Child Care Full Commission Meeting-Meeting Minutes January 27, 2021-Approved Virtual Meeting Held Via Microsoft Teams

**Members Present**: Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, Barbara Andrews, L'Ornya Bowie, Hashan Chowdhury, Ed Krauze, Sybil Philip, and Tara Philips

**Members Absent**: Tracey Clay, Will Hegwood, Yvonne Iscandari, Bill Polman, Sherry Tsigousnis, and Verna Washington

**Guests Present**: Alicia Cross (OCCD and MDAYC), Roberto Flores (MCPS) and Sarah Wilch-Spamer (DHHS)

**Staff Present**: Erin Stillwell (DHHS)

**Meeting Called to Order:** Lindsey Allard-Agnamba, chair, called the virtual meeting to order at 6:04 pm

#### **Roll Call and Introduction of Guests**

## **Review and Vote on Meeting Minutes:**

Review and Vote on December 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes

ACTION: Motion to Accept Minutes from December 16, 2021

Motion: L'Ornya Bowie

2<sup>nd</sup>: Sybil Philip All in favor

## **Commission Business:**

#### • Work Plan Discussion

- o CCC reviewed and discussed updates in the CCC work plan
- Future Work Item: Lindsey and Tara will look at the work plan and update prior to February 2021 meeting

# • ECEI Action Plan Update

- o Barbara provide updates on ECEI Action Plan
- o Future Work Item: Barbara will highlight a few items in the ECEI Action Plan and recovery efforts that are "bite sized" for the CCC to address at this time

# • MMF Coordinating Entity Update

o Barbara provided updates on MMF Entity Plan:

- MMF has recommended a separate, independent entity to lead the ECE and then researched what this entity would look like (3 possible opportunities outlined in the report); MMF report/recommendations have been submitted to County Council
- County Executive recommended that ECCC become the coordinating entity; CE recently shared that he is not in favor of separate, independent coordinating entity
- Council hearing on 1/28/21 to hear recommendations
- Tara represented the CCC at a MMF stakeholder meeting in December 2020 and shared updates

# **Updates:**

- Yvonne Iscandari
  - o WPA 67 families and 114 children
  - Supplement 1192 children so far, we are still processing supplements and have about 800 more to go.
  - We recently received the updated rates from CCSP and are in the process of reviewing and analyzing to determine if there is any impact to the Supplements which will inform our proposal to the Access and Affordability Subcommittee.
- Barbara Andrews
  - ECE Policy Office is incorporating into ECS; ECS is starting a policy section and two staff from the policy office will join; Sarah Wilch-Spamer will help connect work with ECCC and ECS
  - MC working on emergency procurement for PPE funding; intention is to create kits and deliver them to child care programs (family and center based); portal will be created for reorders

## **Announcements:**

#### Alicia Cross:

- MDAEYC working on HB608; Del. Solomon hosting a virtual rally on 2/4/21 at 12:45 p.m.
- Doing a professional development module on anti-bias

#### Roberto Flores:

- Shared his appreciation for the ECE Initiative
- Recommended some possible options for professional training development:
  - o <a href="https://www.cdacouncil.org/">https://www.cdacouncil.org/</a>
  - https://www.coursera.org/search?query=early%20childhood%20educatio n&

# Next Steps/Action Items:

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**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m