



**Commission on Child Care
Meeting Minutes
March 20, 2024-**Approved**
Hosted on Microsoft TEAMS**

Members Present: Tracey Clay, Allison Fialkov, Elka Forbes, Brandon Howard, Laurie Moran, Tara Phillips, Bill Polman, Nagwa Rizk, and Lesley Romanoff

Members Absent: Jennifer Arnaiz, L'Ornya Bowie and Yvonne Iscandari

Staff Present: Erin Stilwell (DHHS)

Meeting Called to Order: Tara Phillips, CCC Chair, called the (virtual) full commission meeting to order at 6:43 pm

Roll Call & Introduction of Guests

No guests identified

ACTION:

Review and vote on February 28, 2024 meeting minutes
Motion to Approve minutes as written: Brandon Howard
Second: Elka Forbes
All in favor

CCC Commission Business: Continued Planning of Child Care Forum scheduled for April 17, 2024

- Draft agenda for the event was reviewed and edited
- Commissioner volunteered to serve in various roles during the forum
- Discussion about plans to format and disseminate summary of forum

Commissioner Updates/Announcements

- **Laurie Moran** announced that La Tia Williams has been promoted to the Prince George's County Regional Manager for the Office of Child Care.
- **Tara Phillips** re. MSDE Pre-K grants; providers need to be Level 3 Excels and grants will create seats for children at 300%FPL; this will be the last year for expansion funds moving into FY26 funding will go to the LEA (local educational agency) via Blueprint

- **Tracey Clay** announced that Action in Montgomery (AIM) hosted a forum on March 17th focusing on Universal P-K; many concerns were voiced by member of the Latino child care community

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm

Upcoming Events/Meetings

CCC Child Care Virtual Forum; April 17th 12:30 to 2:00 pm

CCC April Commission Meeting: April 24, 2024 6:30 to 8:00 pm.