

SOELS Governance Council June 15, 2021 2:30-4:30 p.m. Zoom Meeting ID 948 6812 4175

Attendees: Eileen Micke-Johnson, Laura McKeane, Martha Ibarra, Mary Wolf, Crystal Rowbotham, Geoffrey Lowry, Jeanne Grazioli, Katherine Clayton, Kimberlee Whitney, Martha Ibarra, Jessica Durrant

Absent: Sam Watson (ex), Scott Beveridge (ex), Lisa O'Connor (ex), Adrienne Auxier (ex), Brittain Zimmerman (ex), Mary Hough, Stacy Inman

Hub Staff: René Brandon, Chelsea Reinhart, Teresa Slater, Vicki Risner

Agenda

Call to Order at 2:33 pm

Welcome and Greetings

Additions or changes to the Agenda: none

Approval of minutes from 3-16-2021 and 5-18-2021

Motion to approve minutes from both 3-16-2021 and 5-18-2021: Katherine Clayton 2nd Motion: Eileen Micke-Johnson Motion Passed

Legislation related to Early Learning

Rene presented Eames Consulting Bill Summary by Priority dated 6/4/21. See attached for details. Highlighted HB 2053 and HB 2054, and HB 2059 have all been signed by our governor. Laura McKeane shared that HB 2969, regarding oral health being included in education curriculum has also been signed by our governor.

Bilingual Staff Recruitment

SOELS will be partnering with Rogue Community Health to borrow 2 of their community health workers for 20 hours a week each to assist families with the coordinated enrollment processes for Preschool Promise through the end of September. Will are continuing to recruit for a full time staff person as well.

Biennium in Review

Chelsea announced that she is moving back to Florida. Rene' presented the *SOELS Biennium in Review* PowerPoint Presentation. See attached for details.

Jessica Durrant updated that the kindergarten data shows that the kids from the Williams Community Preschool program outperforms their peers without preschool in reading and math. Will share at an upcoming meeting.

Mary asked for a list of the 8 programs who were awarded the PreK Summer Grants. They went to Active Learning Center, Kingdom Child Care, Alegria Child Care, Art and Science Kids, Blossom Hills, Candy's Child Care, Little Eagles PreK and Tree of Life. A flyer will be shared with partners to distribute to families.

On slide 9, first paragraph, Teresa updated the number of participating elementary schools from 10 to 21. It has been updated on PowerPoint.

Summer meeting schedule

We will be meeting in July to review current investments and regional needs and determine what to continue to invest and support. Cassie Bruske, from Eames Consulting will give us a legislative wrap up. It will be Lisa O'Connor's last GC meeting so we will say good by and begin recruitment for Family Education & Support Representative.

There will be no meeting in August. For the September meeting: Finalize budget and investment priorities at September meeting. Recruit new participants to workgroups.

Motion to Adjourn: Eileen Micke-Johnson 2nd: Laura McKeane

Motion Passed Adjourned at 4:00

Next Meeting July 20, 2021 2:30-4:30 p.m.