

OKLAHOMA PARTNERSHIP FOR SCHOOL READINESS

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 20, 2012

Department of Libraries

1:00 p.m.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Marny Dunlap at 1:10 p.m.

Members Present

Jenny Giles for Janet Barresi, Janet Karner for Phil Berkenbile, Marcia Brueggen, Kathy Cronemiller, Bill Doenges, Marny Dunlap, Kay Floyd, Nina Gonzales, Barbara Hankins, Bob Harbison, Vaughn Clark for Dave Lopez, Janet McKenzie, Susan McVey, Andrea Hall for Michael O'Brien, Treasa Lansdowne for Lisa Smith, Jay Weatherford, Lynn Goldberg for Terri White, and Amy Tate for Stephan Wilson

Members Not Present

Caren Calhoun, Ann Cameron, Terry Cline, Phil Dessauer, Mike Fogarty, Lesli Blazer, Phyllis Hudecki, Glen Johnson, John McCarroll, Monique Naifeh, Lisa Price, Sharon Pyeatt, and Annie Van Hanken

Staff Present

Debra Andersen, Peggy C. Byerly, Nicole Boyles, Vanessa Johnson, Stephanie Mendenhall, Rosalee Rife, Cyd Roberts, and Megan Tyler

Approval of August 2012 Minutes

Marny asked everyone to review the August 16, 2012 minutes.

A motion was made by Susan McVey to accept the minutes as written. Bill Doenges seconded the motion and all members present voted in the affirmative. The motion passed.

Foundation Update

- Funding from George Kaiser Family Foundation has been approved for general operations and Reach Out and Read in Tulsa.
- Pat Potts Family Foundation provided funding to support the OKCEO Initiative.
- The next Smart Start Oklahoma conference will be during the Week of the Young Child in April. On Wednesday, April 17, 2013 the 1st Floor Rotunda has been reserved for Smart Start's Early Childhood Day. The conference will be scheduled before or after April 17, 2013.
- Nicole discussed future plans of providing additional Economic Summits on Early Childhood Investment.

Federal Grant Update

- The communities have turned in their parent surveys and the surveys are in the process of being analyzed.
- Professional Development is in the process of an RFP for the “Effectiveness of Higher Education to prepare Early Childhood Professionals”.
- Each community has the opportunity to receive up to \$34,000 through a contract to address three of the SECAC goals locally.

Governor’s Recommendations

Marny Dunlap discussed the governor’s recommendations along with the public comment. She asked for any additions or suggestions.

A motion was made by Kay Floyd to reapprove recommendations to the Governor. Susan McVey seconded the motion. All members present voted in the affirmative. The motion passed.

Updates:

Workgroup Updates:

Refer to the handout

Committee Updates:

Community Mobilization Committee

No updates

Finance Committee

No updates

Child Care Ad Hoc Committee

No updates

Early Literacy Ad Hoc Committee

Quorum was not met

Community Updates:

Refer to the handout

2013 OPSR Board Meeting Schedule.

Marny Dunlap discussed the 2013 meeting dates and asked for any suggestions or concerns.

Suggestions:

- Look at Tulsa sites for the meeting.
- Send out a survey to see if there are any other locations to hold the meeting.
- Look at providing video conference for the meeting.

A motion was made by Jay Weatherford to accept the proposed meeting dates. Kathy Cronemiller seconded the motion. All members present voted in the affirmative. The motion passed.

Presentation

Amy Fain with Community Action Project of Tulsa County presented an update on the Oklahoma Early Childhood program formerly known as the State Early Childhood Pilot Project.

Executive Director's Report

- Debra introduced Megan Tyler, the new Community Mobilization Director.
- Stacy Frakes has submitted her resignation and any correspondence will be forwarded to Stephanie Mendenhall.
- The Director of Research and Devolvement position will be posted on the University of Central Oklahoma's career site.
- Debra stated she is meeting with a representative responsible for governor appointments. The Governor hopes to reappoint and fill all vacancies in the near future. Two parent vacancies need to be filled and the parents have to have children under the age of 8. The form to fill out is online and that is the only method they will use for renewals or applying.
- The community revised budgets are being processed.
- In October there will be a PAR Alliance meeting that Paul Shinn and Debra Andersen will attend.
- An open meeting and records seminar will be conducted by Assistant Attorney General, Rob Hudson and Communications Director, Diane Clay. The workshops are free and for further information go to: <http://www.okpress.com/seminars>
- The capacity among Oklahoma's Institutions of Higher Education presentation from Diane and Sherri with Early Childhood Education Institutes will be revisited. The Professional Development Workgroup members will review the presentation and provide input to OPSR. Any additional feedback from the presentation is to be sent to the Smart Start Oklahoma office.

Chairperson Comments

No chairperson's comments

Announcements

Kathy Cronemiller announced DHS is holding a meeting in Tulsa, OK to listen to local childhood provider's issues.

Public Comments

No public comments

Adjourn

Marny Dunlap adjourned the meeting at 2:27 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be Thursday, November 15, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the Oklahoma Department of Libraries.