

# NC Pre-K Committee Minutes

11/17/2022

**Committee Members Present:** Jake House, Matt Hayes, Jared Keaton, Amber Pierce, Cheryl Mandle, Emily Nanney, Latoya Scott, Cathy Henderson, Michael Jones, Annette Grier, Janet Singerman, Kristy Godfrey Hurrell and

**Committee Members Absent:** John Eller and Jessica McMullen

**Staff Present:** Tracy Thiery, Erika Ugues, Cher Holcomb

**Guests:** Jennifer Griffith

Jake House called the meeting to order at 8:32 with a quorum met

Latoya Scott motioned to approve minutes for July 14<sup>th</sup> meeting. Janet Singerman seconded the motion. No opposition all voted in favor.

## **Program Update**

Current Site structure presented to NC Pre-K Committee members. NC Pre-K located in 29 Centers, 84 classrooms

**TSG Data, PAST & Letter Identification** students already exceeding expectations. There is an increase in language and literacy.

**Attendance** Pre-K students for October 2022 reflect 81.23%

**Family Engagement /Ready Rosie:** More parents are utilizing Ready Rosie. Parents are accessing social emotional videos more frequently

**Placement and Applications** NC Pre-K is 80% full as of 11/16/22. Applications will continue to be processed for the 22-23 school year. The application for the 23-24 school year will open on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Budget Status:** Quarterly information shared with Committee Members. All budget lines depleted approximately 25%. Legislative Increase funds have been disbursed to contract administrators which is shared between the NC Pre-K Lead Teacher and NC Pre-K Co-teacher.

## **Reallocation of Slots for 22-23**

Discussion occurred between the reallocation of slots.

Previous motion: Allow the Contract Administrator (CMS) to reallocate slots across NC Pre-K sites without NC Pre-K Committee approval. This applies to existing and or previously approved NC Pre-K sites. This also allows CMS to move children from one NC Pre-K site to another NC Pre-K site without requiring NC Pre-K Committee approval.

Amended motion: To grant authority to the contracting agency (CMS) to transfer children upon family request among existing NC Pre-K sites without NC Pre-K committee approval. Janet Singerman motion to approve and Annette Grier seconded motion. Cheryl Mandle abstained, no opposition all voted in favor.

Additional discussion will occur during the January meeting to establish a process when sites voluntarily revert slots. A NC Pre-K Sub Committee group will meet soon as well.

**Bright Beginnings** Pre-K classrooms are 92% full.

## **CDC Director Update**

NC Pre-K Directors appreciate CMS efforts to boost enrollment but there are still concerned over the process. Also concerned on how state has allocated funds to private sites, more funds are needed.

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