RDC Committee Virtual Meeting
Notes Vice Minutes
September 22, 2020 10:00 a.m.

Members in Attendance
None

Members Called In
Mary Ann Bickerstaff    Angela Strumeyer    Bryan Wyer

Staff
Bruce Watson    Vicki Pugh    Jamie Phelps

Staff Called In
Dawn Engel    Christy Zukowski

I. Welcome, Call to Order, and Approval of Agenda
Due to low attendance, likely due to ongoing recovery from Hurricane Sally, the meeting was not called to order.

II. Public Comments
There were no public comments.

III. Approval of Minutes for July 21, 2020
The minutes for July 21, 2020 were not approved because the meeting was not called to order.

IV. Program Reports
a. Nursing Services Report
   No report as the meeting was not called to order.

b. CCR&R Update
   No report as the meeting was not called to order.

c. Program Summary Report
   No report as the meeting was not called to order.

d. SR/VPK Status Report: Wait List and Contract Summary Reports
   No report as the meeting was not called to order.

V. Old Business
a. COVID Topics - No discussion as the meeting was not called to order.
   i. Provider payments for all enrollments (Extended to September 300
   ii. Parent Fee Waivers (Extended to September 30)
   iii. First Responder and Health Care Worker Child Care (Enrollments ended July 31)
   iv. 2020-2021 Contracts (Extensions end NLT 30 days after SRPA)
   v. 2020-2021 Curriculum Requirements and Scholarships (Deadline September 30)
   vi. Provider COVID-19 Mini-Grants and Learning Stipends (OEL program ended June 30)
b. CARES Phase III
   Mr. Watson noted that CARES Phase III will extend money to Providers that were not paid under Phases I and II. Most of the Providers that were missed under the first two phases were VPK Providers that were closed at the time.

c. Provider Rate changes
   No discussion as the meeting was not called to order.

d. Escambia Children’s Trust Update
   Mr. Watson noted that the Escambia Children’s Trust will be on the upcoming ballot and he asked that everyone do their best to promote supporting the Trust.

e. RDC – Committee Chair (Provider Rep?)
   No discussion as the meeting was not called to order.

f. 8th Annual Early Learning Summit – Cancelled
   No discussion as the meeting was not called to order.

VI. New Business

a. Fire Impact and Recovery
   Mr. Watson reported that three out of four of the Coalition’s office suites sustained damage in a fire that started in the server room on August 16th. Suites 225 and 230 are total losses and mitigation efforts are underway in Suite 220. Unfortunately, although mitigation efforts in the conference room were nearly complete, Suites 220, 225, and 230 sustained further water damage during Hurricane Sally. In addition, Suite 210 suffered water intrusion during the hurricane and roughly 80 gallons of water had to be extracted from the offices closest to the back door.

VII. Community Partner Updates

a. Achieve Escambia
   No representative was available to report.

b. ARC Gateway
   No representative was available to report.

c. DCF Outreach
   No representative was available to report.

d. DCF Regulation
   Ms. Strumeyer reported that unless Providers received major structural damage to their facility, they do not need to wait for DCF inspections prior to reopening. She also noted that Providers under boil water advisement had asked if they could substitute hand sanitizer in place of soap and water hand washing. She indicated that hand sanitizer cannot be used in place of soap and water for hand washing.
e. Department of Health 5-2-1-0
   No representative was available to report.

f. Florida Association for Infant Mental Health (FAIMH)
   No representative was available to report.

g. Gulf Coast Kids House
   No representative was available to report.

h. Pensacola State College
   No representative was available to report.

i. School District Education Career Academy
   No representative was available to report.

j. School District VPK
   No representative was available to report.

k. Western Panhandle Early Steps
   No representative was available to report.

VIII. Adjourn: Meeting was not called to order and adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

Next Meeting: November 17, 2020 via virtual means at 10:00 a.m. from the Early Learning Coalition Office, 3300 North Pace Boulevard, Suite 210, Pensacola, Florida 32505