

# CKLECC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 1, 2021

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Monthly CKLECC Board of Directors Meeting
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Julie Witt, CKLECC Coordinator
<b>TIMEKEEPER</b>	
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	<p>Phone/Zoom: Jennifer Paintin (Baby Bear Hugs); Dennis Pearson (Board Chair/Kiowa County DHS); Haley Leonard (Financial Manager); Julie Witt (Council Coordinator); Carole Spady (Quality Improvement Coach); Luci Reimer (Secretary/Limon Memorial Library); Tami Stephenson (Southeast Health Group); Lisa Thomas (About F.A.C.E.); Danielle Storevik (Centennial Mental Health); Louie Morphey (Morgan Community College); Troy McCue (Lincoln County Economic Development); Colleen Walsh (Prevention Specialist); Amber Ellis (Treasurer/Parent)</p> <p>On Site: n/a</p> <p>Absent Board Members: Cindy Ferree, Autumn Pelton</p>

## Agenda topics

### JANUARY 4TH BOARD MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD

#### BABY BEAR HUGS PRESENTATION

JENNIFER PAINTIN

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Jennifer Paintin, Lincoln County Baby Bear Hugs (BBH) Coordinator, presented on the history and current programs of Baby Bear Hugs. BBH is a regional non-profit working with expecting parents and families with children ages 0-5. BBH was established because of a child abuse investigation in the 1980s. BBH services are free and voluntary. Currently BBH only serves Lincoln County in our tri-county early childhood council region. In the past BBH was in Cheyenne County. BBH uses numerous screening tools and programs. It uses ongoing visits, telehealth visits through video, texting, phone calls, and outdoor visits during Covid-19.</p> <p>The following are programs used by BBH: Bright by Text- statewide organization for prenatal through age 8. It focuses on everyday interactions between parents and children; Partners for Healthy Baby – an evidence-based program which uses a core curriculum. It is ongoing and is tailored to meet the needs of families; Nurturing Parent Program – an ongoing program offering different tools for discipline (setting routines, rules, rewards); The Best Start Program – online program through Rocky Mountain Children’s Health Foundation for new parents (safe sleep education, breastfeeding, brain building, free baby boxes); The Period of Purple Crying – a new curriculum that discusses the normal periods of increased crying (can be ongoing or a one time visit); Ages &amp; Stages Questionnaire – BBH can do screening for children 0-5 and a social-emotional questionnaire; MEB Box – BBH uses MEB boxes to increase awareness around mental, emotional, and behavioral behavior; Health Living – ongoing program that focuses on dietary guidelines; Cavity Free Kids – oral health education for birth to age 5.</p> <p>Baby Bear Hugs referral forms can be found at <a href="http://www.babybearhugs.org">www.babybearhugs.org</a>. Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) is housed in Kit Carson County, but serves Lincoln County. BBH partners with NFP.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

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COORDINATOR REPORT

JULIE WITT

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Julie participated in the State Early Childhood Council Leadership Alliance (ECCLA) meetings virtually on January 21<sup>st</sup> &amp; 22<sup>nd</sup>. Carole participated in a session that focused on the new Coaching Community of Practice that will be offered by the Office of Early Childhood. The CKLECC Virtual Early Childhood Professional Training Day event has been scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>. Each of the presenters that were scheduled to present last April have agreed to participate. Six hours of professional development will be offered for participants. The presenters will be Tom Westfall, retired Human Services Director, Jodi Gillespie with state childcare licensing, and Jedd Hafer, speaker for Love and Logic. Julie submitted the second quarter quarterly reports to the Office of Early Childhood (OEC). Based upon the state report, it appears all our licensed providers completed the portal update to receive childcare sustainability grants.</p>
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<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The board agenda was sent out prior to the special board meeting held on January 27 <sup>th</sup> . It was decided at the meeting on the 27 <sup>th</sup> to continue the discussion at a second special meeting to discuss the policies and procedures handbook. The board has scheduled a second meeting on February 18 <sup>th</sup> . No further discussion is needed at today's meeting. Troy McCue mentioned that he believed based upon the Family Cares Act that 40 hours of work earns one paid hour off of leave. Julie and Haley will work on incorporating this into the draft of the handbook for the meeting on the 18 <sup>th</sup> .		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
Julie and Haley will work on paid leave policies for review on the 18 <sup>th</sup> .	Julie & Haley	ASAP	

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The scholarship application was withdrawn so there was no discussion.		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The next regular Board/Council Meeting date will be Monday, March 1st at 1:00 p.m. A virtual meeting will be scheduled on Zoom. The meeting will be a combined board and council meeting.		
<b>SECRETARY APPROVAL SIGNATURE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>		