

CKLECC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

APRIL 5, 2021

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

MEETING CALLED BY	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
TYPE OF MEETING	Monthly CKLECC Board of Directors Meeting
FACILITATOR	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
NOTE TAKER	Julie Witt, CKLECC Coordinator
TIMEKEEPER	
ATTENDEES	<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); Lisa Thomas (About F.A.C.E.); Danielle Storevik (Centennial Mental Health); Louie Morphey (Morgan Community College); Amber Ellis (Treasurer/Parent); Kailey Meardon (South East Health Group); Ameer Gibson (Family Navigator Centennial Mental Health); Jenni Mortimeyer (Cornerstone Resource Center); Tami Stephenson (South East Health Group)</p> <p>On Site: n/a</p> <p>Absent Board Members: Autumn Pelton, Collene Walsh, Cindy Ferree</p>

Agenda topics

MARCH 1ST BOARD MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD WITH A CORRECTION MADE TO COLLENE'S NAME.

CORNERSTONE RESOURCE CENTER

JENNIFER MORTIMEYER

DISCUSSION	<p>Jennifer Mortimeyer, Executive Director of Cornerstone Resource Center, updated the group on the Cornerstone Resource Center which recently had its grand opening. The Resource Center serves Prowers, Kiowa, and Baca Counties. It is a place for people to access resources without the stigma of going to a government office. Cornerstone can also assist with application assistance for SNAP and can refer to other organizations such as Nurse Family Partnership or the Department of Human Services. Cornerstone has several support groups including: Circle of Parents, Nurturing Fathers, and TBRI Training. Their website is tcsrc.org. A live activities calendar has been created in Padlet. Jennifer will share the link if anyone would like to add an activity that will be happening. Jennifer is hoping to offer office hours in Eads in June. Cornerstone is funded and recognized as a state Family Resource Center. Lincoln and Cheyenne Counties do not have Family Resource Centers.</p>		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

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COORDINATOR REPORT

JULIE WITT

DISCUSSION	<p>Julie reported that Plainview Preschool had achieved the Colorado Shines Level 2 rating. There is only one preschool program that remains at a Level 1. Julie was asked by the Colorado Children's Campaign to provide a letter of support for HB 21-1222 in regards to increase the supply of childcare homes. This corresponds with Senate Bill 19-063 Infant and Family Care. The action plan is to examine reasons for family childcare home decline. Between 2002 -2018 Colorado has lost 11,600 licensed slots in family childcare homes. Julie submitted a letter and provided information on our limited numbers in our tri-county area. Julie will be participating in a regional council coordinator meeting with the Office of Early Childhood Director, Mary Alice Cohen, tomorrow. Julie made a clarification to the guidance for the Emerging and Expanding Child Care Grant. Applicants DO NOT have to provide care for the age of infant through toddler. They only must be providing care for at least one of the age groups to be eligible to apply. CKLECC staff has been working on Family, Friend, and Neighbor (FFN) Program ideas. This work is part of the emerging and expanding funding CKLECC has received. Julie will be coordinating with the Early Childhood Council of Washington, Yuma, and Kit Carson Counties and sharing brain storming sessions. Currently, Candie is planning to take on the role of the FFN Program. Julie would like to offer monthly meet and greets for FFN providers to meet CKLECC staff and learn more about resources that are available to them. If there is interest following these events Candie could coordinate a monthly group get together where participating FFN would receive monthly resources. Carole is looking as scheduling for BLAST Babysitting Courses. She is looking over school calendars to determine the best dates to schedule. The Buell Grant application and</p>
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	looking at spending approximately \$12,000 per month. This amount does include payroll and regular monthly expenses. Current balances that need spent by June 30 th are System's Building-\$19,215; Colorado Shines-\$25,540; Child Care Resource & Referral - \$2,288. Anschutz must be spent by the end of May - \$2,092. Buell funds do not need spent until the end of August. The financial reports were approved by consensus of the board. Lisa motioned that Julie and Haley could begin spending on the ideas of updating resources, the bookshelf, and other suggested supplies and purchases. Jennifer made a second and the board approved.	
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MINUTES CKLECC POLICY & PROCEDURE HANDBOOK JULIE WITT

DISCUSSION	Julie sent copy of the special board meeting minutes from Feb. 18 th to the board for review prior to the meeting. The minutes were approved by consensus. Julie shared the revised draft of the handbook. She read through the revised sections discussed at the March meeting. The board agreed everything looked correct. Louie motioned to approve the handbook. Jennifer seconded. The board approved a final draft of the CKLECC Policies and Procedures Handbook today April 5, 2021.	
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MINUTES FUTURE MEETINGS DENNIS PEARSON

DISCUSSION	The next regular Board/Council Meeting date will be Monday, May 3rd at 1:00 p.m. A virtual meeting will be scheduled on Zoom. The meeting will be a combined board and council meeting.	
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