

# CKLECC Meeting Minutes

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NOVEMBER 4, 2019

2:30 PM – 4:00 PM

EADS

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Monthly CKLECC Meeting
<b>FACILITATOR</b>	Dennis Pearson, Chairman
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Julie Witt, CKLECC Coordinator
<b>TIMEKEEPER</b>	
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Phone: Amber Ellis (Parent); Danielle Storevik (Centennial Mental Health); Collene Walsh (Cheyenne County Public Health)  On Site: Dennis Pearson (Kiowa County DHS); Haley Leonard (CKLECC Representative); Julie Witt (Council Coordinator); Carole Spady (Quality Improvement Coach); Lisa Thomas (About F.A.C.E.); Candace Chamberlain (Fun Tote Program); Audrey Johnson (Kiowa County DHS); Tami Stephenson (South East Health Group); Kailey Meardon (South East Health Group); Maranda Foster (Prowers County Public Health) Tina Kraft (Little Leaders Learning & Care Center)

**MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL: October Meeting Minutes were approved by the council with a motion from Lisa and a second by Kailey.**

## Agenda topics

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MENTAL HEALTH COLORADO REPORT

DENNIS/JULIE

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Julie provided the council with a copy of the report completed by Mental Health Colorado. Jean Cimino has provided recommendations for both the Limon & Eads groups. The report lists what communities in Lincoln and Kiowa Counties are currently doing under each of the tool kit best practices. The report also lists recommended next steps. The members present discussed identifying important key partners. The report suggests partnering with law enforcement. Discussion was regarding who should be contacted for early intervention services. Tami Stephenson is an early childhood mental health specialist. At the Eads community meeting the discussion was around not having an early childhood mental health specialist. Tami said that if asked she could travel to Eads to provide services. She is in La Junta. Tami said she could work with adults with young children, do classroom work, can work with kids and families, age range 0-5, and help with transitions from pre-k to kindergarten. She has been trained on the DC: 0-5 tool. Tami's work is grant funded. Referrals do not have to come from South East Mental Health clients. Danielle Storevik with Centennial Mental Health and Tami have the same roles. Centennial Mental Health can provide some screening in Lincoln and Cheyenne Counties. Baby Bear Hugs and Nurse Family Partnership offer depression screening for moms. It was suggested to follow up on the Dc 0-5 training information to see if others may want to take the training or how it is to be used. Lisa Thomas suggested getting information from the Adoption Exchange. The group also discussed the confusion on the referral process. At the community meeting in Eads it was discussed on how providers don't always know where to make referrals. The group decided that a good next step for CKLECC would be to put together a one pager that families and providers could refer to if mental health concerns exist. The discussion will be followed up at the January CKLECC meeting.		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
Julie will work to gather contact information for the one pager.	Julie		

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COORDINATOR REPORT

JULIE WITT

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Julie reported that staff will be working to distribute holiday books. Julie distributed books at Trick or Treat Street in Limon and Haley distributed books at Trunk or Treat Street in Cheyenne Wells. Someone will distribute books at the Eads Firemen's Chili Supper in December. Books will be given to the preschool and kindergarten classes at the schools where CKLECC does not distribute at a holiday event. Julie reported that she would be attending the ECCLA meetings in Denver in November. Julie reported she participated in the ECCLA Preschool Development Grant strategic plan committee session. The council will be given funding for Julie participating. She reported that she is listing a section in the newsletter to have an early childhood provider be nominated for provider of the month. Country Living Learning Center of Hugo was nominated in October, so a write up will be done in the November newsletter. Julie asked the group what they thought the best way to work as a group to write a letter to a state representative would be. The letter would be regarding the issues we have faced finding qualified early childhood staff. It was suggested a google doc be created. Maranda Foster said she could setup the document and
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	email it to Julie. Candie has been working hard getting materials together for the medical clinic fun totes. The Limon School has requested several totes with Spanish speaking materials.		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
MARANDA WILL HELP JULIE CREATE A GOOGLE DOC	MARANDA	ASAP	

MINUTES CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFFERAL UPDATE JULIE WITT/TINA KRAFT

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Julie reported that Country Living Learning Center in Hugo opened in October. They are working on building up their enrollment and planning fund raisers. Tina Kraft reported the second appeals got denied with licensing regarding qualified staff at Little Leaders Learning and Care Center in Eads. The issue is staff is lacking in hours of experience even though their ECE courses will be completed by the end of November. Tina said licensing is suggesting opening as a small center serving ages 2 to 18, or just infants and toddlers, but not both. This is frustrating as this minimizes meeting the needs of families and the community. The LLLCC Board will be meeting to discuss how to move forward. Julie said she would reach out to someone at state licensing to see if we could schedule a conference call to see what other options might be available. Michelle Gonzalez suggested we reach out to Carin Rosas. Tina said she would be working on searching for grant opportunities to help with overhead costs until all classrooms can be open.		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
Contact Carin Rosas	Julie	ASAP	

MINUTES QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COACH UPDATE CAROLE SPADY

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Carole held provider training in Limon and Eads in October. She is scheduled to do training in Limon and Cheyenne Wells in November. She has been working with Karval Preschool who has applied for Quality Improvement funding for this fiscal year. She participated in a Preschool Development Grant work group regarding the classroom rating assessments that are used.		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

MINUTES FUTURE MEETING DENNIS PEARSON

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	There will be no council meeting in December. The council meeting date will be determined at the December Board meeting.		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
<b>SECRETARY APPROVAL SIGNATURE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>		