

# CKLECC Meeting Minutes

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 23, 2018

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

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>	<p>Phone: Tammy Stephenson (Southeast Health Group); Kathryn Wisner (Morgan Community College); Amanda Ray (Centennial Mental Health); Lindsey Barlow (Blissful Strides)</p> <p>On Site: Dennis Pearson (Kiowa County DHS); Carole Spady (Colorado Shines Coach); Luci Reimer (Limon Library); Julie Witt (CKLECC Coordinator); Haley Leonard (CKLECC Representative); Candace Chamberlain (Tote Program and Child Care); Lisa Thomas (About FACE); Jan Richards (Kiowa County Economic Development); Rod Pelton (Cheyenne County Commissioner); Cindy McCloud (Kiowa County Commissioner); Amber Settles (Prowers County Safe Care); Jo Lynn Idler (Prowers County Public Health)</p>

**MEETING MINUTE APPROVAL: Rod made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes. Lisa seconded the motion. The group approved.**

## Agenda topics

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PROWERS COUNTY SAFE CARE PRESENTATION

AMBER SETTLES

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Prowers County Safe Care serves Kiowa, Baca, Otero, Prowers and Crowley Counties.</li> <li>-The program teaches parenting skills regarding health, parenting, and safety measures.</li> <li>-Safe Care will child proof up to three rooms for free.</li> <li>-Safe Care discusses symptom and illness guides and encourages parent child interaction, specifically the importance of talking to babies.</li> <li>-Amber has seen depression and anxiety decrease in parents.</li> <li>-Rosie serves the families in Eads and Sheridan Lake.</li> <li>-Amber is housed in Lamar with two other coordinators.</li> <li>-Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) and Safe Care families can overlap. NFP serves the first child. Safe Care can serve any child ages 0-5.</li> <li>-Amber is big on outreach and referrals.</li> <li>-Dennis Pearson mentioned that there is a big push to have Safe Care statewide. Amber thinks there are currently 32 Safe Care sites.</li> <li>-Some examples Amber has seen showing a decrease in depression would be noticeable changes in physical appearance and cleanliness of homes.</li> <li>-Self-referrals are allowed</li> <li>-Currently serving four to five families in Kiowa County.</li> <li>-Judges can refer divorced families to Safe Care and recommend Safe Care go into DHS treatment plans. Safe Care hours can count towards education for TANF hours.</li> </ul>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEM</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

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COORDINATOR REPORT

JULIE WITT

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Child Care Assistance Program (CCCAP) Online Tracking has not launched. They are hoping for late March.</li> <li>-Candace has made Fun Totes for Nurse Family Partnership (NFP) of Prowers County to serve Kiowa County; backpack totes were made for Lincoln County NFP; and Candie will be making a set for Cheyenne County NFP.</li> <li>-The Colorado Shines Quality Improvement awards have been increased by 50%. Family homes are eligible for \$1500, centers or preschools with one to three classrooms are eligible for \$2250; centers or preschools with 4 or more classrooms are eligible for \$3000.</li> <li>-Julie attended the Safe Care/ NFP Advisory Council Meeting. NFP referrals have gone up.</li> <li>-Julie submitted the CKLECC quarterly reports for Systems Building, Colorado Shines, and Child Care Resource and Referral funding on January 31<sup>st</sup>.</li> <li>-Julie is still working on getting in touch with Superintendents and preschool teachers regarding the establishment of CCCAP fiscal agreements.</li> </ul>
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	<p>-Julie reported that Amanda Ray with Centennial Mental Health (CMH) has resigned from the Board. If there is not a replacement available from CMH she will be reaching out to council members to fill the position.          -Julie reminded everyone to visit the new Early Childhood Council Alliance (ECCLA) website – <a href="http://eclacolorado.org">eclacolorado.org</a>          -Julie also reminded everyone to visit the newly revised CKLECC website – <a href="http://cklecc.org">cklecc.org</a></p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

MINUTES EARLY CHILDHOOD WORKFORCE INNOVATION GRANT JULIE WITT

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Julie explained that the Eads child care group in coordination with Kiowa County Economic Development (KCEDF) has decided to apply for the Early Childhood Workforce Innovation Grant. Julie will be assisting with the grant as much as she can. She will write a letter of support on behalf of CKLECC. The grant proposal will be to request funding to support an increase in Early Childhood Course (ECE) offerings from Lamar Community College (LCC) and Morgan Community College (MCC), to provide scholarship opportunities, and to get the Eads Baptist Church licensed to become a child care center. LCC has agreed to do a cohort in Eads with a WebEx option for distance learning. MCC has also agreed to collaborate by offering a WebEx option for courses for distance learning.</p> <p>Julie brought up that the Eads group had asked if CKLECC could be the lead agency for the grant, but the CKLECC Board felt that it would be best if KCEDF was the lead agency. This way the KCEDF Board would be responsible for the financial portion of the grant which seems to make more sense if the child care center were to open in Eads. CKLECC will still help with the grant application as much as it can. Cindy McCloud and Jan Richards agreed this would be fine. They just wanted to make sure Julie could still help with the process. Cindy has agreed to write the grant proposal. Jan updated the group on how the Baptist Church has offered its space for a child care center. It seems to be a perfect space. Dennis is going to reach out to someone at state child care licensing to see if a pre-licensing visit can be done. The local licensing specialist has told us that she can't do this until a licensing application has been submitted. The group feels that this is necessary to move forward. Jan is working on arranging Fire Dept. and Public Health inspections.</p> <p>Betsy Barnett with the Eads School has contacted Lamar Community College (LCC) about the possibility of offering an Early Childhood course (ECE) cohort in Eads. LCC has agreed this is an option and will provide a Letter of Support. Julie has been speaking with the local Morgan Community College (MCC) office in Limon regarding ECE courses through a WebEx Program. It sounds like they are also willing to write a Letter of Support for the grant. ECE Scholarship funds will be incorporated into the grant proposal to support staff for a new center and for our existing programs in Cheyenne, Kiowa, and Lincoln Counties.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	
Julie will be working with Cindy, Jan, and the Eads group in whatever way she can assist with the grant application	Julie	ASAP	

MINUTES QUALITY IMPROVEMENT COACH UPDATE CAROLE

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Carole reported that February Provider training was not held in Cheyenne and Lincoln Counties due to scheduling conflicts. A Training is set for both counties in March. A CKLECC Training Day is being organized in April in Limon. It would allow providers to receive (6) credit hours of training. There are numerous courses that have been added to the Professional Development Information System for providers to take online.</p>		
<b>CONCLUSIONS</b>			
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>	

MINUTES CHILD CARE RESOURCE & REFERRAL UPDATES JULIE WITT/CAROLE SPADY

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>The CKLECC Pre-Licensing Training Application has been submitted to the state. We are just waiting approval so that a training can be scheduled. Julie has received numerous call regarding home child care licensing, but no one has followed through with submitting an application. Everyone that calls in is added on a log, so that she can stay in touch with them to follow up. The Country Living Learning Center child care group in Hugo will be holding their Second Annual Family Game Night Fundraiser on Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup> from 5 -8 at the Lincoln County Fairgrounds. Julie emailed the flyer out with all of the details.</p>		
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MISCELLANEOUS UPDATES – Haley is now recertified as a car seat technician. Eads Hospital is having its Health Day at the Eads Hospital on April 6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> . Rod Pelton is running for the Colorado House District 65 seat.		
CONCLUSIONS		
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FUTURE MEETING

DENNIS PEARSON

<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
<b>The next meeting will be held Friday, March 23rd in Limon at the Limon DHS Meeting Room. The Board will meet at 9:00 a.m. followed by the Council meeting at 10:00 a.m.</b>		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS		PERSON RESPONSIBLE
<b>SECRETARY APPROVAL SIGNATURE:</b>		<b>DATE:</b>