Early Childhood Council of Bent, Otero & Crowley
July 6, 2017

Members present: Kristina Lofing, Amy Deatherage, Crystal Redner, Dee Layba, Angie Shehorn, Tami Stephenson, Judy Rusher and Audrea Martinez.

Andrea showed the power point that will be playing in the three counties. There was discussion on the TV in Bent County, there were several ideas shared that we move the TV to the new Social service office or to the elementary school. It has been ongoing issue that Bent is using the TV to show programs and not the slide shows that are provided by the BOC.
Tami moved and Crystal seconded that we approve the content of the TV's for the month of July. Motion passed.

The new RFA was approved by the State with the changes that need to be approved by the BOC. Article III Membership; 7.717.5 was added. *The Early Childhood Council Membership means the members of a voting body of the Early Childhood Council governing authority over all the councils' duties enumerated in rule 7.717.5.* Crystal moved, Tami seconded that we accept the change in the Membership by laws. Motion passed.

There was discussion on the review at the annual meeting and to have the make bylaws state that voting by email in time sensitive manners would be allowed. Tami moved that and Angie seconded the motion that the BOC Council would add to the bylaws that email voting would be in place in time sensitive matters.

End of the 2016-2017 fiscal Financials were presented by Andrea. And the new 2017-2018 Budget was all so presented. There were several questions on the Budget. Line items, how these line items were decided upon, salary and what funding is used for different areas in our three counties. These questions were talked about and brought up other concerns/ questions on exactly who makes the budget and how it is presented to the Council Members.
Discussion if our Executive Committee Directors & Officers have Liability insurance coverage for the defense cost of settlements and judgments arising out of lawsuits and wrongful act allegations brought against a nonprofit organization. This will

protect the organization's mission and your board members personal asset.
A company from Weld County will be doing the finical statement to the state, they are experienced in doing this, and they have other Early Child Hood Councils they are working with. The concern is the amount they will charge to complete this duty for the BOC. Andrea will find out and report back in August. After this discussion it was moved by Tami and seconded by Amy that we postpone voting on the acceptance of the new Budget until August. Andrea will send out the proposed changes by email to allow members to view them and will vote on this in August. Motion carried.

Andrea requested to approve the MIECHV Budget as it was last fiscal year. The Council members were not able to see the proposed budget to approve. Angie stated that Andrea put a draft form budget together for Andrea's meeting with Mary Alice from MIECHV on Monday. BOC will review the proposed MIECHV budget in August and proceed to approve if they budget passes the BOC Council meeting.

EQIT: Andrea and Crystal shared that the classes will be over the first part of August. Seven providers are attending these classes. Courtney Holt-Rodgers from Lamar is working on getting the classes for college credit. The EQIT discussion brought up coaching and the requirements for coaches. Angie shared that it is a very laid out plan to complete all the requirements to meet the state level of coaching. Angie will get with Andrea and Tami to see if it will be affordable for us to grow our own coach.

Andrea shared that she will be sending out a Survey Monkey for her evaluation and it will be returned back to her. The discussion was the survey would need to be sent by and reviewed by some one other that the Council Coordinator. Tami said that she would do this through her new job at South East Health.

Due to the length of the meeting we dismissed at 2:00 and were not able to hear from the subcommittee for the fall Conference in October.

Next meeting will be August the 3rd.

Submitted by

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