

EARLY CHILDHOOD COUNCIL OF BENT, OTERO & CROWLEY COUNTIES

April 6th, 2017

## IN ATTENDANCE

Sarah Voigts, Shana Santistevan, Molly Milusnic, Tami Stephenson, Ashley Paugh, Sharon Church, Amy Deatherage, Crystal Redner, Nancy Harrington, Sarah Dillon, Susan Workman, Judy Rusher, Miguel Narez, Andrea Martinez

## WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

MONTHLY SPOTLIGHT: Sarah Dillon and Nancy Harrington Tri-County Family Care Center

# REQUEST FOR APPLICATION/BYLAWS/STRATEGIC PLAN

In preparation for the Request for Application(RFA) that is due May 1<sup>st</sup>, Andrea encourage Council members to attend an RFA planning session during the usual Board of Directors Meeting on Tuesday evening. Copies of Strategic Plan given to Council members and Andrea requested constructive feedback. Informed Council that a statement of work and school readiness plan need also be created for RFA. Copies of the By Laws were handed out and read through by the council members. Andrea requested the council take a vote to pass the By Laws, as they were needed for the Request for Application. Council members pointed out that council needed to elect a Chair, Co-chair and recorder or By Laws were not accurately being followed. Council nominated and approved Tami Stephenson to be the Chair, Ashley Paugh to be Co-Chair and Judy Rusher to be Recorder. Council then voted on and approved the By Laws.

#### UPCOMING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Andrea reminded Council of upcoming professional development opportunities; Mental Health First Aid is scheduled for home visitors on April 19<sup>th</sup> and for providers on April 29<sup>th</sup>. Course to be taught by Sarah Voigts. Also, the Council is partnering with Tri-County Family Care Center to put on a Cooking Matters for childcare providers on May 6<sup>th</sup>. The Council is also working with Jo Koehn from state to hold an Expanding Quality for Infants and Toddlers during the summer. Course to be held at Las Animas Elementary School every other weekend this summer.

### AGENCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Dillon reminded Council of Tri-County Family Care Centers annual *Cruzin into Summer*. She invited any of the agencies to come and have a booth. Council members stated that it would be good for the Council to have a booth.

Molly informed Council that she would be doing a level 2 Colorado Shines PDIS track for providers on May 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.