Provider Services Committee Meeting
June 21st, 2016; 2:30 PM
ELC Board Room

Committee Attendees: Shaleen Fagundo; Abilio Rodriguez; Mara Zapata, Rick Beasley

Staff Attendees: Angelo Parrino; Lisa Sanabria; Lisney Badillo; Natalie Cabrera; Jenifer Hernandez; Erika Erched; Fiorella Altare; Jackye Russell; Natalie Cabrera; Michelle Meilan; Evelio Torres

General Attendees: Santiago Echemendia; Doreen Roberts; Marie Rivette; Alberto Ortiz

I. Welcome and Introductions

   Rick Beasley

II. Approval of Minutes

   - Motion to approve by M. Zapata.
   - Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
   - Motion was unanimously passed.

   Rick Beasley

III. YWCA (Windows and Gerry Sweet), FCAA (New Mt. Zion Early Childhood and Dr. Dazelle Simpson), Little Light of the World, Children’s Choice and Our Lady of Charity

   - R. Beasley thanked the Early Learning Coalition for seeking guidance from the Office of Early Learning so that these seven providers could continue offering the VPK program and not be terminated for 5 years, as was originally the recommendation.

   - The Hearing Committee’s recommended that the providers be placed on a corrective action plan.

   - Motion to approve by S. Fagundo.
   - Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
   - Motion was unanimously passed.

   Rick Beasley

IV. Holy Family Catholic School

   Rick Beasley
• D. Roberts the new principal stated that when she began her employment at Holy Family all previous administration was gone. She was not aware that the VPK assessments were not in compliance till December, after obtaining this information she gained access to the websites and completed requirements.

• The Hearing Committee’s recommended that D. Roberts bring in the completed assessments and then the CEO, E. Torres will recommend corrective action if everything is complete.
  o Motion to approve by S. Fagundo.
  o Motion seconded by A. Rodriguez.
  o Motion was unanimously passed.

V. Clara Mohammed School

• The director was instructed to bring in the completed assessments before 5:00 p.m. the following day for approval. If completed as she stated the committee will implement a corrective action plan.

• The Hearing Committee’s recommended that the providers be placed on a corrective action plan.
  o Motion to approve by M. Zapata.
  o Motion seconded by S. Fagundo.
  o Motion was unanimously passed.

VI. Marie Rivette

• M. Rivette stated that the DCF cases opened were now closed as no wrong doing was found. S. Echemendia requested proof of this and M. Rivette supplied the documentation.

• S. Fagundo stated that she felt uncomfortable with these accusations as it seem to stem from a disgruntled employee and not validity.

• The Hearing Committee’s recommended to take no further action.
  o Motion to approve by A. Rodriguez.
  o Motion seconded by S. Fagundo.
  o Motion was unanimously passed.

VII. Mercedes Fuentes Large Family Child Care

• A. Ortiz stated that there was no intent to defraud but simply a miss understanding.

• E. Torres stated that the ELC attempted to hand deliver a letter to A. Ortiz, after stating he had not received any of our certified letters or emails, and the deliver was denied. E, Torres stated that if place on probation this action of denying correspondence cannot take place.
• M. Zapata moved to place Mercedes Fuentes Large Family Child Care on probation for a year, provided the ELC receives original documentation and if any other violation are received within this 12 months period, there will be a termination without cause to appeal.

• The Hearing Committee’s recommended to a year probation.
  
  o Motion to approve by A. Rodriguez.
  o Motion seconded by S. Fagundo.
  o Motion was unanimously passed.

VIII. Public Comments

IX. Meeting Adjourned