ELC Provider Services Committee Meeting
November 17, 2022; 2 P.M.
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Committee Attendees: Rick Beasley; Chereen Coile; Dr. Fluney; Dr. Daniel Armstrong; Jenni Roig

Committee Absentees: Loreen Chant

Staff Attendees: Evelio Torres, Fiorella A. Christie; Victor Caballero; Mercy Castiglione; Sheyla Perez; Vernise Casimir; Anabel Espinosa; Pamela Hollingsworth; Ana Sejeck; Lisney Badillo; Thalia Daumy; Natalia Gamundi; Alex Sanchez; Cindy Cabrera; Lissandra Lara; Vanessa Aguilera-Viera; Angelo Parrino; Sandra Gonzalez; Belkis Torres; Dolores Mendez; Iliana Vallejo; Michelle Meilan; Eilin Orozoco; Casie Haines; Vanessa Aguilera-Viera; Pam Malval; Ana Sejeck; Laurie Dunn; Ana Rodriguez

I. Welcome & Introductions
   Rick Beasley

   A. R. Beasley welcomed everyone.
   B. K. Gregory called roll and quorum was established with Five voting members present.

II. Approval of Minutes
    Rick Beasley

    A. Motion to approve September 29, 2022 minutes.
       • Motion to approve by Dr. Armstrong
       • Motion seconded by C. Coile
       • Motion unanimously passed.

III. Strategic Plan Updates 2022-2027
     Aileen Suazo

     A. A. Suazo reported updates of the Early Learning Coalition of Miami-Dade/Monroe’s Strategic Plan, emphasizing on Family Engagement. She was able to demonstrated that the Coalition is conducting collaborative planning meetings, reviewing measures, and documenting the progress via the Strategic plan Scorecard.

IV. Making a Difference
    Dr. Anabel Espinosa

    A. Introduced the Making a Difference in which every month the Inclusion, Screening and Child Assessment Team will share a story from the field, highlighting the supports offered to children and families.
V. Guest Speaker: Florida Housing

Mark Pease

A. M. Pease presented valuable information on the Hometown Hero’s Program. The Florida Hometown Heroes Housing Program makes homeownership affordable for eligible frontline community workers such as law enforcement officers, firefighters, educators, healthcare professionals, childcare employees, and active military or veterans. Information was distributed to all attendees via email.

VI. New VPK Requirement Revisited

Cindy Cabrera

A. Florida Assessment of Student Thinking (FAST) Updates and reminders were provided by C. Cabrera.
B. Review of VPK Provider Readiness Rates and Plan to Improve Updates and reminders were provided by C. Cabrera.

VII. American Rescue Plan Act Update

Fiorella A. Christie

A. F. Altare Christie reported the most updated statistics on the ARPA Round 2 applications and awards as well as the ARPA Workforce Notice of Award.

VIII. Listening Session Roundtable Update

Dr. Eileen Fluney
Jeni Roig
Juanita Walker

IX. Early Education Partners Roundtable

Provider Representatives

A. Family Child Care Home Discussion
   • Dr. Perla Almodovar
   • Danish Williams
   • Alma Diaz

B. Program-Based Discussion
   • Jenni Roig (Private Provider Representative)
   • Dr. Eileen Fluney (Faith-Based Provider Representative)
   • Dr. Daniel Armstrong (Individuals with Disabilities Education Act Program Representative)

C. General Discussion

X. Public Comments

Rick Beasley

XI. Adjourn

Rick Beasley