

Early Learning Coalition
Resource Development Committee
September 15, 2015 – 10:30 AM
Roger Thompson, Chair

Committee Members:

Brenda Hardy	Tammy Hicks	Pam Hagan	Mary Ann Bickerstaff
Malena Moorehouse	Roger Thompson		

Staff:

Vicki Pugh	Dawn Engel	Paula Rollins	Christy Zukowski
Bruce Watson			

Partners/Public:

Debbie Layton	Melanie Perritt	Aisha Adkinson	Melissa Jones
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I. Welcome and Approval of Agenda

The meeting was called to order at 10:39 am by Mr. Roger Thompson. The Agenda was approved on a motion made by Ms. Brenda Hardy with a second by Ms. Tammy Hicks.

II. Public Comments

No public comments were made.

III. Approval of May 19, 2015 Minutes

The Minutes of the July 21, 2015 Resource Development Committee meeting were approved on a motion made by Ms. Brenda Hardy with a second by Ms. Tammy Hicks.

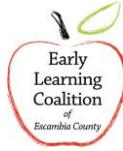
IV. Program Reports

a. Nursing Services Report

Ms. Pam Hagan reported that there has not been much between July and August. Ms. Hagan is hoping that appointments will pick up and is encouraging providers to schedule a time with the nurses. Ms. Hagan is going to change the format of the monthly report to reflect how many children are seen in the Coalition offices as walk-ins.

b. CCR&R Update

Ms. Paula Rollins informed the Committee that in the month of August there were 84 new callers. Of those callers, 66 were one adult households, 17 were two adult households. The majority of the callers were employed looking for child care. The main inquiries were for schedules, evenings & weekends, cost and transportation. For the majority of the callers the age range of their children was birth through five.



Ms. Paula Rollins informed the Committee that OEL has released new guidance and new rules for CCR&R. The questions on the CCR&R interview checklist have been reduced by half. The provider update form has been revised, as well as the required reports to OEL.

c. Program Support Summary

Ms. Vicki Pugh informed the Committee that the Program Summary Report will change for next meeting. The Fraud section will be split to distinguish parent fraud from provider fraud. The ASQ's completed will move to the Monitoring section. Providers have to show proof of completing ASQ's or they will be found to be in contractual non-compliance.

V. Old Business

a. Teaching Strategies Gold (TSG)

Ms. Christy Zukowski referred the Committee to page 10 of the packet. SR Gold for children 3 and under has a total of 93 children and 13 providers enrolled. Ms. Zukowski will be asking the VPK providers to enter their SR children as well since they are already using the program. VPK Gold has 101 classrooms enrolled. The VPK Gold program does now allow Coalitions access to view each child in this program. iPads will be loaned to each VPK Gold provider to assist them in using the TSG program. The iPads will also be loaded with age appropriate apps.

b. Local training

Ms. Pugh informed the Committee that Ms. Zukowski recently audited a class to learn how to assist providers with a new online literacy training course. The Coalition is still offering several types of instructor led GOLD trainings.

VI. New Business

a. QRIS

Ms. Vicki Pugh informed the Committee on page 11 of the packet is a new QRIS template. The Coalition is offering a new simplified version of the program. Mr. Bruce Watson felt the Coalition was asking too much of providers to put together a portfolio to become a 2 star rated program. The 2 star rating will now align with the Tier 2 monitoring and be determined by Coalition staff assessments.

b. Performance Funding Pilot

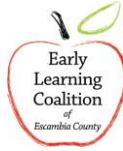
Mr. Bruce Watson informed the Committee that OEL offered this program again this year and the Coalition did not have any participants. Therefore the Coalition will not be participating.

c. Contract Summary

Mr. Bruce Watson informed the Committee that the Coalition will be presenting this summary to all of the Committees and the Board as a standard report. This report will keep everyone updated as to what is going on with the providers contracted with the Coalition. A summary of the fraud cases will also be included on this report.

VII. Community Partner Updates

a. ARC Gateway



Ms. MaryAnn Bickerstaff informed the Committee that they will be doing some sensory training with Ms. Zukowski to offer to providers. ARC is hiring an occupational therapist and they have added more hours to Corry Station providing speech therapy. They do speech screenings so if you know of a cluster of children that need screenings ARC can do them onsite at child care centers for \$20 and they will bill the insurance company for the parent.

b. Early Steps

Ms. Debbie Goldberg was not present and no report was provided.

c. School District Academies

Ms. Aisha Adkison informed the Committee that they had a meeting at Escambia High School focusing on community literacy. They are going to hold a family night and the Coalition will set up a booth with information. Pensacola High School and the Coalition have partnered and will provide coaching and mentoring to teachers and students at the early childhood academy.

d. DCF Licensing

Mr. Roger Thompson informed the Committee that the new DCF data system, CARES, is improving day by day. The system is better and so much easier to use. The Clearinghouse background screening system currently does not allow the local DCF office access that will allow them to help providers like they were able to in the past. Mr. Thompson did make note that he does have a backup if really needed. DCF is now required to begin inspecting religious exempt gold seal providers.

e. Pensacola State College

No report from Pensacola State College.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 am.

Next Meeting: November 17, 2015 at 10:30 a.m.