

NC Pre-Kindergarten/Early Education Committee Meeting

Wednesday February 17, 2021

10:00 am

The NC Pre-Kindergarten/Early Education Committee met on February 17, 2021 at 10:00 am.

Committee Members Present: Samelia Jones, Debra Pless, Nicole Sessoms, Trina Wenzel, Elizabeth Heston, Teresa Aldridge, Jennifer Baucom, Lashonda Houston, Deborah Beatty, Annie Parker, Danielle Mauldin

Staff Members Present: Patricia Sehorn, Lyne Goode,

Guests Present: Jennifer Huff

Action Items

Minutes- Annie presented the minutes from the January 20, 2020 meeting, and asked everyone to look at them, and for someone to make a motion to accept them. Samelia moved to accept the minutes, Nicole second the motion, all were in favor.

NC Pre-K Update

Enrollment Update- Trisha shared that we have had 5 families terminate since last meeting.

Current enrollment is as follows:

CCS: 103-out of 123

Private: 121 out of 132

Head Start: 52 out of 75

North Kannapolis: 20 out of 31

295 out of 361 spots are filled

Monitoring Updates-

Trisha will begin visits (on site, or desk visits) and she will need a hard copy of all documentation. All children are required to have a Dial assessment.

Application Process 2021-2022-

Trisha shared that our application is on the website and ready to go. We have had many calls, and received about 10 applications so far.

Jennifer B. asked for suggestions as to where she could hang flyers where they would not be torn down.

Outreach Plans-

Lyne shared that she began outreach again yesterday. She encourages all of the sites that benefit from the NC Pre-K services to do their own outreach in their area.

DHS Subsidy-

Elizabeth Heston reported that their current waitlist has 416 children, and 275 families on it.

The January terminations were 35 families and 49 children.

They are not receiving referrals like they should be, and parent fees will be paid for March and April by DCDS.

RCCC: Nicole Sessoms shared that they have 82 students enrolled for the Spring semester.

If you need to reach Nicole.sessoms@rccc.edu 704-216-3526 or Waynette.taylor@rccc.edu 336-588-7833

CCS Summer Programs:

MFV is offering a 6 week summer camp beginning June 7th, M-TH 7:30-3:30, food and transportation will be provided. First priority are children of essential workers, children with IEP's, and rising NC Pre-K students. They have 150 slots available.

Kannapolis Head Start:

Jennifer shared that they have almost completed the speck process, and hope to open their new building in July.

Annie Parker shared that North Kannapolis will not be seeking NC Pre-K slots for next school year, as they hope to have all of the pre-K children enroll in Kannapolis Head Start and be under one roof.

Family Services:

Lashonda wanted to remind everyone that they offer NC Pre-K support services, and they will continue to send families to places where they can receive assistance.

**The next NC Pre-K /Early Education Meeting will be held on
Wednesday, March 17, at 10 am through Zoom**