

## Virtual North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten Planning Committee Meeting

### Agenda

*Quorum is 13 = 50% + 1 (Total Board Members = 23)*

Thursday, January 28, 2021

12:00 pm – 12:30 pm

### Zoom Meeting

*Be the Driving Force* to meet our roles and responsibilities as a non-profit Board by:

- *Providing Oversight*   ➤ *Ensuring Adequate Resources*   ➤ *Establishing a Strategic Direction*

#### **I. Determination of Quorum & Call to Order – Alana Hix**

#### **II. Minutes\***

- A. Thursday, November 19, 2020

#### **III. Action Items for SFY 2020-2021\***

- A. Approval for the following 2019-2020 NC Pre-K Sites, resume operation as NC Pre-K sites for the 2021-22 NC Pre-K school year.
- KinderCare Ramsey
  - KinderCare Fort Bragg

#### **IV. Information<sup>Δ</sup>**

- A. 2020-2021 School Year On-Going Operation Update - Summary information on modes of instruction
- B. 2020-2021 Site Allocation update
- C. 2020-2021 Child Placement Update
- D. 2020-2021 Site Monitoring Tool (Self-Assessment) Due: Friday, January 29, 2021
- E. Program Recruitment Progress: Strengths and Barriers
- F. Fiscal Update<sup>ε</sup>

#### **V. Adjournment – Alana Hix**

\* Needs Action   Δ Information Only   ε Electronic Copy (Hard copies are available upon request)   ! Possible Conflict of Interest (Recusals)



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**November 19, 2020 (12:03 pm to 12:15 pm)**  
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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Dr. Pamela Adams-Watkins, Lonnie Ballard, Lisa Childers, Angela Crosby, Patricia Crouch (D), Robin Deaver, Terrasine Gardner, Jim Grafstrom, Dr. Meredith Gronski, Brian Jones, Cotina Jones, Jami McLaughlin, Karen McDonald, Perry Melton, Ayesha Neal, Tawnya Rayman, Steve Terry, Wanda Wesley and Ebone Williams  
**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Amy Cannon, Dr. Phyllis Dunham, Sandee Gronowski, Alana Hix (D), Brenda Reid Jackson, Tre’vone McNeill and Chas Sampson  
**NON-VOTING ATTENDEES:** Dr. Marvin Connelly, Jr., Dorothy Adams, Ar-Nita Davis, Pamela Federline, Belinda Gainey, Anna Hall, Michelle Hearon, Julanda Jett, Marie Lilly, Danielle Malvesti, Christina Miles, Sharon Moyer, Anthony Ramos, Mary Sonnenberg and Mike Yeager  
**GUEST:** Jeanne Barnes, DCDEE

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATION	ACTION	FOLLOW-UP
<b><i>This meeting was held via Zoom due to COVID-19 and the PFC building being closed to the public.</i></b>			
I. Determination of NC Pre-K Quorum & Call to Order – Ayesha Neal, Chair	The meeting of the North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten (NC Pre-K) Planning Committee was held via Zoom on November 19, 2020, beginning at 12:03 pm pursuant to prior written notice to each Committee member. Ayesha Neal, Chair, chaired the meeting, determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order. Belinda Gainey, Executive Specialist, was Secretary for the meeting and recorded the minutes.	None	None
II. Minutes* A. September 24, 2020	A. The minutes of the September 24, 2020 meeting were previously distributed and reviewed by the Committee. Jami McLaughlin moved to approve North Carolina Pre-Kindergarten (NC Pre-K) Planning Committee Minutes from September 24, 2020, as presented. Angela Crosby seconded the motion. Hearing no further discussion, the Chair put the motion to a vote. All votes were unanimous. There were no abstentions. The motion carried.	Motion Carried	None
III. Information <sup>A</sup> A. 2020-2021 School Year On-Going Operation Update - Summary information on modes of instruction B. 2020-2021 Site Allocation update C. Child Placement Update D. Program Recruitment Progress: Strengths and Barriers E. Fiscal Update	A. Ar-Nita Davis reported that as of November 6, 2020, all child care sites were required to go hybrid or traditional. If they wanted to go full remote past that date, sites had to send in an exception. The sites who sent in the exception were Cumberland County Schools, Head Start and UCP Dorothy Spainhour. B.-C. Ar-Nita reported that as of November 18, 2020, 1,043 children have been placed. D. The focus this year has been on NC Pre-K recruitment and PFC is about to begin working on recruitment for the next school year. The 2% Admin funds that were received allowed PFC to look at different avenues for recruitment, such as using Fayetteville city buses for advertisement.	None  None None	None  None None



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	<p>E. Mary stated that most sites have received one-tenth of their funding. Funding is now flowing monthly, based on teacher qualifications. PFC is pushing hard to receive all attendance records in and to make sure they are sent to DCDEE as early as possible.</p> <p>Mary stated that budgets are prepared for the Carry Forward money. Last fiscal year, PFC did NC Pre-K Enhancements with Smart Start funding and this is being proposed again for a five-month period, starting in January 2021. As of now, PFC is still waiting for NCPC Contract Amendments in order to put this in place. PFC is still waiting on guidance from the state on how to do these Enhancements.</p> <p>Jeanne Barnes reported that DCDEE is working on extensions for programs who are going or have been fully remote. The goal is to have children back in the classroom. Guidance for site monitoring will be distributed early within the next week.</p>	None	None
IV. Adjournment	As there was no further business; the chair announced the meeting adjourned. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 pm.	Adjourned	None

**Submittal:** The minutes of the above stated meeting are submitted for approval.

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Secretary of Meeting

Date

**Approval:** Based on Committee consensus, the minutes of the above stated meeting are hereby approved as presented and/or corrected.

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Committee Chair

Date

## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** January 28, 2021

**TO:** NC Pre-K Planning Committee

**FROM:** Ar-Nita Davis, NC Pre-K Program Manager

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Recommendations for Action Items

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- 1. PFC staff recommend approval for KinderCare Ramsey and KinderCare Fort Bragg Road to resume participation in NC Pre-K program for the 2021-2022 school year.** KinderCare Ramsey and KinderCare Fort Bragg Road are requesting to participate as NC Pre-K sites for the 2021-22 NC Pre-K school year. The two child care programs opted not to participate in NC Pre-K in the 2020-21 NC Pre-K school year due to challenges with the COVID-19 pandemic.

The two child care programs were approved to participate as NC Pre-K sites during the last site selection process. Therefore, it is not required for them to go through the site selection process again to participate in the 2021-22 NC Pre-K school year.