



Meeting Minutes

Committee via GoTo Webinar: Rhonda Dossett, Ana Cuenca, Anna Thomas, Adam Sorensen, Encarni Gallardo, Holly Kingston, Jessica Smith, Jody Zabriskie, Johnny Anderson, Katie Ricord, Ben Trentelman for Kelly Riding, Kyla Clark, Page Checketts, Simon Bolivar, Suzanne Leonelli, Tracie Lund, Elizabeth Garbe

Support Staff: Tracy Gruber, Montana Meyers

Interested Parties and Guests: JoEllen Robbins, Jamie Bitton, Carolyn Ellsworth, Emma Moench, Janell Cerva, Karrie Phillips, Lisa Roman, Steve Handy, Kellie Kohler, Kim Melville, Kristen Schultz, Laneta Fiti, Lauren Fredman, Mark Watterson, Brian Zabriskie, Shannon Black

Agenda Item	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions																															
Welcome and Introductions	Chair, Rhonda Dossett, welcomed the Committee and called for Attendance. Approval of 7/8/2020 meeting minutes. Tracy Gruber announced OCC Staff changes.	Rhonda Dossett called for a motion to approve the 7/8/2020 minutes. Katie Ricord motioned, no opposed. Minutes approved unanimously.																															
COVID-19 Child Care Issues	<p>a. Current Health of Utah’s Child Care System. Ms. Gruber referred to the below table below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="590 691 1360 898"> <thead> <tr> <th>Provider Type</th> <th>Total Count of Licensed Programs</th> <th>Current Percent of Programs</th> <th>Percent of Programs Permanently</th> <th>Current Slots Lost Due to Temporary</th> <th rowspan="6">Last Updated 9/29/2020</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Licensed Center</td> <td>342</td> <td>3%</td> <td>2%</td> <td>639</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Licensed Family</td> <td>760</td> <td>3%</td> <td>5%</td> <td>295</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Residential Certificate</td> <td>75</td> <td>8%</td> <td>4%</td> <td>48</td> </tr> <tr> <td>FFN</td> <td>220</td> <td>10%</td> <td>25%</td> <td>-</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="4">TOTAL:</td> <td>982</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>b. CARES Act Budget & Updates</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Ann Stockham-Mejia reported on the child care subsidy enrollments since March 2020, including applications approved above the 65% State Median Income threshold. ii. A report on the current status Child Care Operations Grant was given. iii. A report on the status of the Summer Programming Grant was given, including informing the Committee of the opportunity for grantees to extend their grants due to delayed schools starts in some school districts. iv. In response to schools using modified school schedules, OCC released a School Age Grant. The grant provides resources to programs serving school age children on hybrid/virtual learning days, between 8am-3pm (nontraditional out of school hours). Office of Child care is keeping this grant open as late as March 2021, as long as resources are available given the unpredictable nature of Covid-19. 	Provider Type	Total Count of Licensed Programs	Current Percent of Programs	Percent of Programs Permanently	Current Slots Lost Due to Temporary	Last Updated 9/29/2020	Licensed Center	342	3%	2%	639	Licensed Family	760	3%	5%	295	Residential Certificate	75	8%	4%	48	FFN	220	10%	25%	-	TOTAL:				982	
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<p>School & Child Care Center Water Testing Requirements</p>	<p>Representative Stephen Handy presented his proposed legislation to the Advisory Committee. The legislation requires lead testing in all schools and child care programs in anticipation of rules expected to be released by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Committee expressed concerns about legislation requiring that child care programs make the results of their lead tests public without funding for remediation or sufficient time to allow for remediation.</p> <p>The committee informed Representative Handy that the Office of Child Care and Child Care Licensing Health and Safety Grants can be used to cover the costs of lead testing.</p>	<p>SCHOOL AND CHILD CARE CENTER WATER TESTING 2 REQUIREMENTS Interim Committee Bill: https://le.utah.gov/interim/2020/pdf/00003682.pdf</p>
<p>OCC Management Team</p>	<p>a. Professional Development Cost Sharing Program. Office of Child Care Has extended the CCQS ratings until June 2021, since they can't go into programs for high stakes observations. In the interim, Office of Child Care will be doing an interim Professional Development Cost Sharing Program. More details for this can be found on our website; https://jobs.utah.gov/occ/provider/ccqs/interimcostshare.pdf</p> <p>b. School Readiness Update. SRB has approved agreements for Becoming Quality and Expanded Student Access Grants. Those contracts are in the process of being finalized and executed for the Programs awarded agreements.</p> <p>c. OCC Staff Recognition; TJ Seegmiller as of 2/2/2020, 5 years of service, Kim Melville as of 6/22/2020, 5 years of service, Lisa Roman as of 7/25/2020, 20 years of service.</p>	
<p>Health & Safety Protocols (Child Care Licensing)</p>	<p>a. Simon Bolivar provided on update on the health and safety requirements currently in place due to Covid-19. He reminded the committee that Child Care Licensing is NOT requiring facemasks in child care programs, but encourage them if possible including for children. Child Care Licensing released Phase 2 of the Health and Safety Grant. Programs can apply for grant funds to cover the costs of lead testing.</p>	
<p>Early Learning Standards Training</p>	<p>a. USBE representative, Jessica Smith, reporting on the Early Learning Standards available online: https://preschool.uen.org/corestandards.shtml. The committee was reminded of upcoming Early Learning Standards Trainings. Fliers for the two trainings can be found on the Public Notice website; https://www.utah.gov/pmn/sitemap/notice/628449.html as well as the UEN Page link above.</p>	
<p>Other Business</p>	<p>a. Jody Zabriskie indicated she is supposed to be getting a list of labs that can help Programs out with lead testing, from the Water Division. Ms. Zabriskie will share that list, with the Committee.</p> <p>b. Committee requested information from Child Care Licensing regarding notifications to programs approved for Health and Safety Grants. Mr. Bolivar reported that Phase 1 Grants are closed and all those applications accepted for funding have been processed. He also explained the process for registering for funds through SAMS and applying for a DUNS number and then have it registered through https://sam.gov/SAM/. Grants that didn't have the SAMS registration, DUNS#, or W-9 portion of the processes completed when they applied, their applications are on hold until those portions are completed.</p>	

	c. Johnny Anderson announced the Utah Private Child Care Association Fall Conference will be done in person in Mesquite at Casa Blanca and also via ZOOM or Go-To Meeting on November 13-14, 2020. If interested, reach out to Brian Zabriskie brian@atozbuildingblocks.com or Johnny Anderson johnny@abcgreatbeginnings.com .	
Adjournment	Next Meeting Thursday, November 12, 2020 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Rhonda Dossett called for a motion to adjourn. Johnny Anderson motioned. Page Checketts seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.