

**NEVADA STATE DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
CHILD CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

AGENDA

Date: June 24, 2014

Time: 1:30 PM

MEETING LOCATIONS

Videoconference Locations:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health
727 Fairview Drive, Suite E
Carson City, Nevada 89701

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Elko, Nevada 89801

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1-888-398-2342
Access Code: 1530727

Committee Members Present

Diane Nicolet, Co Chair, E.L. Cord (Carson City)
Carrie Paldi, Creative Kids Learning Center (Las Vegas)
Andrea Davis, Kids Kottage (Carson City)
Sara Kruetz, Noah's Ark (Elko)
Christine Stern, YMCA (Las Vegas)
Sue Joyner, Dayton Valley Learning Center (Carson City)
Rachel Perez, Kid's Quest (via phone)
Austin Olson, ATC (via phone)

Child Care Licensing Staff Present

Latisha Brown, Child Care Program Manager (via phone)
Terri Buster, Supervisor (Las Vegas)
Lisa Roberts, Child Care Surveyor (Carson City)
Tiffany Kaplan, Child Care Surveyor (Carson City)
Tammy Hutchinson, Child Care Surveyor (Carson City)
Rachel Netz, Child Care Surveyor (Elko)

Members Not Present

Tiffany Alston, Sunrise Children's Foundation
Stephanie Moye, Caring 4 Cubs

Others Present

Alice LeDesma, Washoe County Department of Social Services (Carson City)
Sherry Waugh, Child and Family Research Center (Carson City)

1. Opening remarks and Introductions

The meeting began at 1:47 due to audio difficulties between the locations. It was determined that there was a quorum.

2. Public comments

There were no public comments

At this point in the meeting agenda items were taken out of order and/or combined for discussion.

3. Presentation of revised nutrition/physical activity regulation changes

Denise Tanata Ashby was unable to present at the time of the meeting. There was discussion if a memo should be written regarding the proposed regulations and it was decided that this would be further discussed later in the meeting as it was a separate agenda item.

4. Discussion, recommendation and appointment of person to take minutes

It was determined that Lisa Roberts would take minutes at this meeting, but Child Care Licensing would only be responsible for meeting minutes for the quarterly Child Care Advisory Committee meetings as written in the by-laws. Committee members will be responsible for any meeting minutes beyond the quarterly meetings. Diane Nicolet recommended that the committee members rotate taking minutes. It was decided to table this item until the committee decided if additional meetings were needed before September. Andrea Davis volunteered to take the minutes for the August meeting.

5. Approval of minutes from May 28, 2014 meeting

MOTION: Austin Olson made a motion to approve the minutes as written

SECOND: Rachel Perez

PASSED: UNANIMOUSLY

6. Discussion and approval of scheduling future meetings and agenda items

The following items were requested to be included at the next meeting
There was discussion if a recommendation from the Committee to the Children's Advocacy Alliance (CAA) regarding the proposed nutrition/physical activity regulations would be needed prior to a September meeting. Latisha Brown stated that she emailed Jessica Lamb and said that a meeting should be held in August in order to draft a response to the CAA.

Meetings were set for: August 12 from 1:30pm – 4:30pm
 September 11 from 1:30pm – 4:30pm

7. Update from Child Care Licensing including Board of Health updates

Latisha Brown, Child Care Licensing Program Manager provided an update. She attended the Legislative Commission meeting yesterday and the proposed regulations which included language from AB 109 and AB 93 as well as the fines were approved. The language from AB 109 is already effective and the language from AB 93 and the assessing of fines will be effective July 1, 2014. A memo will be sent to providers. Latisha Brown explained the process of how the fines will be imposed.

8. Update from advisory members

Carrie Paldi spoke about the documentary The Raising of America screenings on June 25, 2014. An email regarding the screening was previously sent to the committee members.

It was reported that Kyle Lairmore was no longer eligible to be a committee member because she has accepted a position at a child care center. The committee was asked to solicit possible family/group candidates.

Diane Nicolet reported that she talked to Shelly Nye and the CCAC information has been added to the Nevada Registry website. On the Nevada Registry website, there is a link off of the Child Care Licensing link.

9. Presentation by Amanda Haboush-Deloye of Southern Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (SNECAC) regarding their work and community calendar

Amanda Haboush-Deloye spoke about a Family Fun Day hosted by SNECAC. There will also be a resource fair called Step Up for Kids Day which is also known as Nevada Children's Day and an outreach summit for professionals. She is looking for funding to expand some of these events in Northern Nevada. The SNECAC website includes a calendar of events where people can view all upcoming events. She encouraged people to post events to the calendar. Amanda Haboush-Deloye provided a brief history of the organization. It started seven years ago as a non-partisan group whose goal was to get people talking about children. The SNECAC focuses on children birth – age 8. The website was provided: <http://snecac.com> and she encouraged people to post items to the community calendar.

10. Discussion, recommendation and approval of policies and procedures for how the advisory committee operates.

There was discussion regarding the thoughts of the AG, Linda Anderson, regarding the Policies and Procedures. It was reported at the meeting that Linda Anderson said the policies and procedures were really approvals of the by-laws or if already approved, an amendment. The committee questioned if the Policies and Procedures could be a separate document, attachment or addendum. This item was tabled due to time constraints.

11. Discussion, recommendation, and approval of action regarding proposed nutrition/physical activity regulations

This item was tabled because there was no presentation and no updated information from the last meeting. The discussion focused on concerns that the providers had in regard to how fast the revisions and changes would be made and concerns were brought up about not having sufficient input from providers. Child Care Licensing staff reported that the Children's Advocacy Alliance (CAA) appeared interested in obtaining provider's input and support and did not want to move forward without provider's support. They have changed much of the regulation language and are moving in a positive direction.

The committee members were asked to make a list of questions and concerns regarding the proposed nutrition/physical activity regulations, talk to colleagues to get their input and bring this information to the next meeting.

Latisha Brown offered to put the document of the updated nutrition/physical activity regulations revised at a meeting scheduled July 1, 2014 between CCL and the CAA, on the list serve and on the Nevada Registry. Committee members discussed the fact that 146 responses to the original survey sent out by CAA was not a significant return when considering all of the child care facilities in the state, all child care facility employees and interested parties are taken into account.

12. Discussion regarding the concept of Child Care background cost recovery and/or potential fee increases

Latisha Brown stated that there had not been licensing fee increases since the 1990's. So they are looking into increasing the licensing fees in order to make Child Care Licensing more self-sufficient. This will not occur immediately, but she is looking for the provider's thoughts. The background cost recovery has been tabled for the time being, but is still being considered.

13. Public comments

There were no public comments

14. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:58pm.

