



Present:

Kevin Bain

Lacey Kottkamp

Nathan Williamson

M. Cindy Frey

Nicole Norvell

I. Call to Order

1. Kevin Bain, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:12pm.
2. The first order of business was to welcome Lacey Kottkamp, Indiana's new Head Start State Collaboration Office Director, as a newly appointed member of ELAC.

II. November Meeting Minutes

1. Nathan moved to approved the meeting minutes from November; Cindy seconded; all approved and the minutes were approved.

III. 2017 ELAC Annual Report and County Profiles

1. As a continuation of the presentation from November on the Annual Report, Amanda Lopez, with Transform Consulting Group who provides ELAC Project Management Support, presented the new ELAC Early Childhood County profiles for feedback;
2. The future hope is that the profiles would be available in a real-time interactive format. For now, the Data workgroup is planning to update these annually with the annual needs assessment completed by ELAC.

Questions

1. Where did the funding data for Head Start come from? Originally from Region 5, however new data was just received and will be incorporated.

IV. Family Engagement Workgroup Recommendation

1. John Peirce, co-chair of the Family Engagement Workgroup, presented the recommended updates to the current "home visiting" definition. These changes were proposed in conjunction with Maternal, Infant, and Early Childhood Home Visiting;
2. Nathan offered a motion to adopt the definition as presented; Cindy seconded; all members agreed and the motion passed.

V. Child Development and Well-Being Workgroup Recommendation

1. Carrie Bale, co-chair, gave an overview of the two recommendations the workgroup is putting forth related to data collection efforts for developmental screenings and child health, nutrition, and physical fitness;



2. Dr. Nancy Swigonski, Indiana University Medical School and workgroup member, presented the white paper on the importance of developmental screening in young children;

Question:

1. Can you expand on the diagnosis of 29 months? Dr. Swigonski explained that this is the average age when developmental delays are being identified in the early evaluation hubs, where children are referred for additional screening.
3. Carrie Bale then presented the formal recommendation from the workgroup, which asks for data to be collected around which agencies are conducting developmental screenings;
4. Julie Burns, Jump IN for Healthy Kids and workgroup member, presented information on the long-term connections on child health, nutrition, and physical fitness;
5. Carrie Bale then presented the recommendation to gather data related to child health, nutrition, and physical fitness;
6. ELAC members suggested that each recommendation be brought back to the workgroup for further refinement. Specifically, they suggested the recommendations ask for the specific data points and, if possible, specific organizations from which to request the data.

VI. ELAC Glossary

1. Amanda Lopez presented the revised ELAC Glossary on Indiana Early Learning Terms and Agencies. In 2016, ELAC agreed to annually update the Glossary. Feedback for updates was collected from all the workgroups. The final version will be posted to the ELAC website.

VII. Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)

1. Nathan Williamson presented on the new federal law, [ESSA](#), and the State Implementation Plan IDOE is developing, specifically the early learning components and areas for feedback / intersection with ELAC.

Questions

1. Is there wording in ESSA on literacy? Nathan shared that there is some high-level suggestions around early literacy but not at a pre-k level.
2. Has any information on the federal preschool grant funding been released? No

Next Meeting: Annual ELAC Kickoff Meeting | January 19, 2016 | 10:00am – 4:00pm | Wayne Township Preschool
Meeting adjourned at 2:19pm.