

**MEETING TITLE: Washington State Association of Head Start/ECEAP – Board of Directors Meeting**

**Date:** February 16, 2010      **Place:** Red Lion Hotel, Olympia

**Attendance:** Cathy Garland, Janet Anderson, Jill Brenner, Sandy Nelson, Sage MacLeod, Connie Mueller, Wendee Shuell, Rick Garza, Lucy Kee, Samantha Tuskan, Nicole Parker, Carmella Martin, Keith Angotti, Rebecca Cerrillo, Joel Ryan, Katy Warren

**Absent:** Tonya Ritchie,

AGENDA	DISCUSSION	DECISIONS - ACTION
<b>Call to Order</b>	Cathy called the meeting to order at 1:07	
<b>Old Business/ Approval of Minutes</b>	We have minutes from the October 27 <sup>th</sup> meeting and the December 9 <sup>th</sup> meeting.	<b>Wendee moved to approve the October 27<sup>th</sup> minutes. Sam 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed unanimously, no abstentions.</b>  <b>Sage moved to approve the December 9<sup>th</sup> minutes. Carmella 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed unanimously, no abstentions.</b>
<b>State Legislative Update</b>	<p><b>a. Early Learning in Basic Ed</b> A bill making Early Learning (starting with ECEAP) part of the Basic Education definition has passed the House. In the Senate, they have passed a basic ed bill that studies the issue, and makes ECEAP an entitlement.</p> <p><b>b. WCCC Child Care Subsidy Bill – 3141</b> The bill would allow 12-month authorization for HS, ECEAP, and EHS families unless there is a change in circumstances. The focus for us is on what is best for the child, continuity of care.</p> <p><b>c. ECEAP Funding</b> Democrats have decided to suspend I-960, which would enable them to pass revenue increases. The amount of revenue they raise will determine where ECEAP funding (and WCCC) ends up. We're high up on the list to avoid cuts. The Senate will go first.</p> <p><b>d. WCCC Funding</b> The governor proposed \$ 49.9 million cut in WCCC. The SEIU has taken the lead in trying to</p>	<p>A. EL in Basic Ed Lucy moved to endorse the entitlement concept for ECEAP, with the understanding that issues of COLA and space will be raised. Sam 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed unanimously, no abstentions.</p>

	whittle some of those cuts down. The cut would probably drop eligibility from 200% of the FPL to 130%.	
<b>Federal Legislative Update</b>	<p>Joel and Cathy went to the NHSA Leadership Institute in January,</p> <p><b>a. Child Care Development Block Grant –</b> NHSA has included the CCDBG on their legislative goals, and Joel and Cathy recommended that they work with those national groups on it.</p> <p><b>b. Elementary and Secondary Education Act</b> This year the ESEA will be reauthorized, doing away with No Child Left Behind. It includes Title 1 funding.</p> <p><b>c. President’s budget – child care funding</b> the contracts go through September 29, 2011, but we needed an appropriation in the 2011 budget. OHS proposed that 800 million was needed to continue the expansion slots.</p> <p>President’s budget also includes a little bit of COLA, and a little bit of quality, little T/TA, and some Migrant and Tribal.</p>	
<b>RFP for new T/TA Contracts</b>	<p>Yvette Sanchez and the OHS person who will lead this process gave a lot of information on this.</p> <p>They’re looking at developing 6 national centers that are responsible for core areas (parent involvement, teacher quality &amp; assessment, etc) and continue the state-based (or a regional) system. They would do away with GPSS system, and in its place would just be the state-based system and national centers. They are open to not just having the lowest bidder.</p> <p>Sandy recommends high quality ongoing training things, like PORTAGE training, the 3-year literacy training, J&amp;J, etc. She’d rather see the \$43 million spent on that.</p>	
<b>CLI Discussion</b>	<p>The Executive Committee discussed the issue, and suggested that we recommend that DEL cover outstanding commitments (meeting locations and contracts with instructors) and use some of the money to rethink the structure and future of the CLI.</p> <p>The Executive Committee also talked about a fellowship program, other models, and how it fits in with our proposed Management &amp; Leadership Institute.</p> <p>The Quality &amp; Training Committee will be asked to discuss WSA’s future role in leadership development.</p>	Wendee moved to put the CLI on hiatus, and work with DEL on future planning. Rick 2 <sup>nd</sup> .
<b>Budget Update</b>	Profit & Loss Statement Highlights:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WSTC dues – the new ARRA slots will be billed, but</li> <li>• Winter Meeting – should be about the same as budgeted.</li> <li>• Webinars – we had two webinars, and made some money on the Autism webinar.</li> <li>• CLI – this will be affected by today’s decision.</li> <li>• Oral Health – we have a partnership grant for that for \$10,000, of which we will keep \$1000</li> </ul> <p>Expenses –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• We’re about where we should be at this time of year.</li> <li>• We will have moving expenses.</li> </ul>	
<b>Professional Development Plan</b>	<p>Connie reported on the Quality &amp; Training Committee meeting and the Professional Development Plan.</p> <p>We mostly talked about Summer Institute and what to offer: Challenging Behaviors, communications (teaching teams), Parent engagement</p> <p>Wendee – for communications course, it could be geared toward teaching teams.</p>	<p>Wendee moved to approve the Professional Development Plan. Carmella 2<sup>nd</sup>. Passed unanimously, no abstentions.</p>
<b>Scholarships</b>	<p>We have an opportunity as an association to let people know about NHSA scholarships. We want to make sure that the scholarship info is available, with deadlines.</p>	
<b>Region X Update</b>	<p>Wendee distributed the RX conference agenda. They’re updating their website.</p>	