

EARLY CHILDHOOD COMMISSION

MINUTES

June 9, 2021 12:00 PM

A regular meeting of the Early Childhood Development Commission was hosted via Zoom from the Mona Lisa Drexler Assembly Chambers, 907 Terminal Street, Fairbanks, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 12:03.

A. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Randall, Meredith Maple, Melissa Charlie, Pam Walker and Ivane Saenz

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Joanne Spears (excused) and Rebecca Wachter (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT: Eric Holland, FNSB Staff Representative and Laura Melotte, FNSB Recording Clerk

B. MESSAGES

1. Communications to the Early Childhood Development Commission

Mr. Holland introduced Ivane Saenz to the commission.

2. Citizen's Comments

None.

3. Disclosure and Statement of Conflict

None.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Consent Agenda passes all routine items indicated by asterisk (*) on agenda. Consent Agenda items are not considered separately unless any Early Childhood Development Commission member or citizen so requests. In the event of such request, the item is returned to the general agenda.

D. *MINUTES

*July 15, 2020 meeting minutes

MOTION: Moved by **Commissioner Maple**, seconded by **Commissioner Randall** that the Agenda and Consent Agenda be approved, including the minutes of the July 15, 2020 meeting.

VOTE: No objections

MEETING AGENDA AND CONSENT APPROVED WITHOUT OBJECTION

E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Elections of Chair and Vice-Chair

Commissioner Walker commented that she wouldn't mind being the Vice Chairperson.

Commissioner Randall nominated Commissioner Maple for the Chair position. Commissioner Maple accepted the nomination.

MOTION: **Commissioner Walker** nominated herself for the Vice Chair position.

VOTE: All were in favor. There were no objections.

MOTION: **Commissioner Randall** nominated Commissioner Maple for the Chair position.

VOTE: All were in favor. There were no objections.

2. Family Health Fair Update

Mr. Holland gave an update to the commission regarding the upcoming Family Health Fair. The fair is scheduled for September 11, 2021 at the Pioneer Park Civic Center. A question and answer period followed.

Mr. Holland suggested that a sub-committee of two (2) commissioners be formed to discuss the upcoming health fair further and report back at the next meeting of the ECDC.

Commissioner Charlie commented that she is supportive of this project and gave a brief report on an event that she was involved in recently.

Commissioner Randall suggested that Commissioner Charlie be on the sub-committee as she has experience in community events such as the one that she was most recently involved in.

Commissioner Saenz expressed her support of the health fair.

Commissioner Maple gave an update on what is happening at the Children’s Museum and expressed her support of the health fair.

Further discussion ensued. It was determined that the commission will move forward with a sub-committee meeting in early July.

Commissioner Walker and **Commissioner Charlie** volunteered to participate in this sub-committee meeting.

3. Fairbanks Families Website Update

Mr. Holland updated the commission with regards to this topic.

A brief question and answer period followed.

F. EXCUSE FUTURE ABSENCES

None noted.

G. COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioner Randall commented that she is glad that the commission is able to meet again.

H. AGENDA SETTING

I. ADJOURNMENT

Moved to adjourn by **Commissioner Walker**, seconded by **Commissioner Charlie**.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:55 p.m.