



Meeting Minutes

North Dakota Children’s Cabinet Meeting

Wednesday, June, 16, 2021

9:00a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Central Time

APT Solutions, 2900 E. Broadway Ave., Bismarck

Virtual Call through MS Teams

Members in attendance

Kristen Baesler, Superintendent of Public Instruction	Honorable Lisa Fair McEvers, ND Supreme Court Justice
Lt. Governor Brent Sanford, Governor’s designee	Janell Regimbal, Parent/Private Service Provider
Paula Condol, Parent/Private Service Provider	Vincent Roehr, Tribal Nations Representative
Representative Koppelman	Teresa Larsen, Director of the Committee on Protection and Advocacy
Russell Riehl, Parent/Private Service Provider	Senator Heckman

Other attendees

Pamela Sagness, Director Behavioral Health Division	Maria Neset
Lisa Jahner	Kimberly Aruby
Hedi Delorme	Kayla Fender
Kelli Ulberg	Cathy Ferderer

Call to Order/Roll Call – Unknown

Legislative Study Discussion– Representative Koppelman and Senator Heckman
 Rep. Koppelman – willing to engage in the need for designated people on studies in different communities
 Senator Heckman – Move of Early Childhood education into DHS.

Update from the Interim Judiciary Committee and the Juvenile Justice Commission -

Representative Klemin & Lisa Bjergaard

Report includes list of suggested representatives to planning Commission for children in need of services

- Asking approval of recommendations
- Timing is an issue

Vincent Roehr – more tribal

T. Larson – parents of families rep. increase

Janell R. – Concerns about representation on other lists. More providers

Lisa McEvers- Judge from Juv. Court. Rep. from Indigent Defense

Rep. Koppelman – Maybe approve and then add members later, or have another meeting in short order

Kim Jacobson – Concerns with Chins services, voiced support.

Senator Heckaman – Kristen Harsbargen, Director of zon

- Rhonda Allery- Zon Director
- Healthier Wison
- Nicole Leitner- Ct. officer 3, Fargo
- Luke Schaefer- Regional REA Director
- Sherry Adams – sw
- Victoria Johnson – parent, Fargo
- Brandon Baity, - youthworks, Fargo

T. Larson- Carlette McCleary – Fed. Of fam.

- Suggested addition

K. Baesler – Comments about the way this is viewed in the Educational Community

- Advocation for a secondary school principal on committee

Russ R. - Concerns about how the process will work is there the necessary things in place like resources.

Sen. Heckman – Need to have representation of schools, suggested Russ

P. Sagness – need to have a comm. Based zero, available, not there yet

Motion – T. Larson – Approve motion for suggested list.

- Additions of Carlotta McCleary, Russ Richel, Ned Clooten.
- Second by McEvers

Discussion

- Janell Reg. – Importance of Serv. Prov.
- Sen. Heckaman – more discussion
- Rep. Koppelman – good starting point
- Paula Condol- concerns about regional rep.
- Vincent Roehr- agrees

Unanimous Approval

Report on Legislation– Superintendent Kirsten Baesler – [Link to Presentation](#)

DPI – Tara Fuhrer

- Update on Early Childhood Experiences – Janell Reg.
- Best in class progress is a replacement of inclusion program

- No new program no longer through commerce. – Tara F.
- Discussion between Janell and Tara, comments of funding methodologies in other states.

Cabinet Discussion - Sen. Heckaman

- Next meeting, sept. 15, 9:00 am – 11:00 am Virtual
- Discussion of RFP
- Forward Task Force Document
- T. Larson – explanations of the different system
- Survey of Social Service system if ready

11:00 p.m. **Adjourn**