



Office of Child Care Advisory Committee

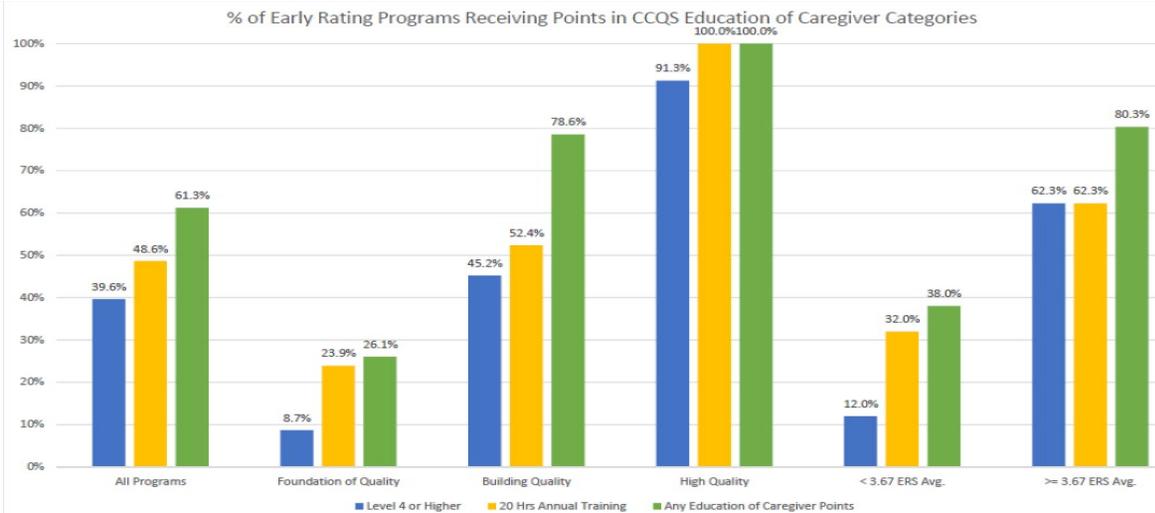
Wednesday March 11, 2020
 720 South 200 East, Salt Lake City
 Conference Room 100
 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

- Committee:** Rhonda Dossett, Ana Cuenca, Holly Kingston, Katie Ricord, Jessica Smith, Simon Bolivar, Suzanne Leonelli, Kelly Riding, Jonny Anderson, Jody Zabriskie, Encarni Gallardo, Elizabeth Garbe, Kyla Clark
- On the Phone:** Adam Sorensen
- Excused:** Page Checketts,
- Support Staff:** Tracy Gruber, Kathy Link, Montana Meyers
- And Guests:** KC Hutton, Karrie Phillips, Heather Thomas, Ann Stockham-Mejia, Donna Thomas, Michele Brice, JoEllen Robbins, Nune Phillips, Sarah Hanson, Jamie Bitton, Jen Romero, Jamie Dunn, Crystal Knippers, Beatrice Barrentez

Agenda Item	Discussion	Recommendations/Actions
Welcome and Introductions	Chair, Rhonda Dossett welcomed the Committee and introduced new members. Approval of 1/15/2020 meeting minutes.	Rhonda Dossett called for a motion to approve the 1/15/2020 minutes. Katie Ricord motioned. Simon Bolivar recommended that the drafted minutes include the entire webpage address being referenced rather than the hyperlink being embedded in the word <i>here</i> . Mr. Bolivar seconded the motion. Minutes approved unanimously.
Utah’s 2020 Market Rate Study	a. Ann Stockham Mejia provided an update on the Market Rate Study process.	
Child Care Access Data & Break Out Discussion	a. Tracy Gruber referred to pages 5-22 of the Master Slideshow as she presented on the Child Care Gaps Assessment and Data. The Committee broke out into 3 groups to discuss; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What are your thoughts regarding the data? 2. What assumptions would you make regarding the data gap in terms of parent choice? 3. House should Utah close the gap, including percent of the gap that should be closed with regulated care? b. Following the discussion and review of the each group’s outcomes, Tracy Gruber added that an overall issue in Child Care is an Infrastructure issue (like schools, roads, clean water). Child Care needs more partners at the table participating in this issue on a long term basis.	Refer to the Master Slideshow at https://www.utah.gov/pmn/files/584109.pdf to see pages referred to.
Director’s	a. OCC Budget Overview— Quality. Ms. Gruber reviewed the FY 2020 Proposed Budget with the	

Report	<p>Committee.</p> <p>b. Legislative Update. Business Tax Credit for Child Care Programs and a bill that was to provide economic incentive for an Employer to recruit staff to move to Utah and help cover costs of their transfer both failed and didn't get out of the committee. Another bill regarding lead testing which was changed to only be apply to school districts with an increased interest in making sure that young children are in environments where they are not exposed to lead. Additional funding to go to optional Extended Day Kindergarten programs. Funding is going to be in the budget for Public schools to apply to extend the Kindergarten Day. Lastly, \$3 Million more for the School Readiness grants; becoming quality and expansion.</p> <p>c. Preschool Development Grant Needs Assessment found at https://jobs.utah.gov/occ/needsassessment.pdf</p> <p>d. Update: Children with Special Needs – Discussed at the last meeting. Establish a working group. If interested, email Montana Meyers mmeyers@utah.gov</p> <p>e. CCQS Data. In October 2019, Office of Child Care established Utah's Child Care Quality System to support families in making informed decisions when selecting a child care program. 35% of Licensed Child Care Programs Participating in the Early Rating Period. 23% of Child Care Programs Participating in the Early Rating Period Serving less than 10 children covered by child care subsidies. 32% of Children covered by Child Care subsidies are now in Programs Participating and received a certified rating.</p>	
OCC Program Manager Reports	<p>a. High Quality School Readiness Grants. Nune Phillips indicated that these two grants released early; Becoming Quality and Expanded Student Access Grant. Ms. Phillips updated the Committee on the two grants.</p> <p>b. CCQS Professional Development Data. Ms. Hutton explained the data in the below chart from a snapshot captured from the beginning of October 2019.</p>	



c. OCC Rule Revisions. Ann Stockham Mejia explained they are making revisions to the Administrative Rules, regarding overpayments and intentional program violation sections. All interested parties will receive notification of proposed rule changes when they go out for public comment.

Agency Reports

- a. Child Care Licensing. Department has been meeting twice a week to discuss the Corona Virus. Child Care Licensing in process of making technical changes to the rules (punctuation and language of the rules).
- b. Utah State Board of Education. PEEP Exit trainings this month. Early learning standards have ended 90 day review, going to the board next week.
- c. Department of Human Services. No Update.

The website with information is <https://coronavirus.utah.gov/>.

Other Business
Adjournment

Next Meeting
 Wednesday, May 13, 2020 1:00 – 3:00pm
 720 S 200 E, Conference Room 100

Rhonda Dossett called for a motion to adjourn. Johnny Anderson motioned, no opposed. Meeting adjourned.