



NMCAA Policy Council Minutes
Thursday February 9, 2023
10a.m.-12p.m.

Present: Amber Holmgren, Blair Cole, Brian Buckley, Christine Duval, Erica Gaylord, Jessica Creary, Kat Byers, Kayla Corey, Kelsey McCoy, Kim Brumbaugh, Malanie Chaney, Tor Oglesbee, Monique Numan

Absent: Bonita Eickenroth, Brittney Larive, Cecelia Staats, Christina Jones, Destiny Kasben, Ember Simar, Genevieve Raisch, Jessica Morefield, Jessica Warner, Kaitlin John, Kasey Lilly, Kayla Willingham, Kia Richards-Mans, Nichole Johnson, Rebecca Lutz, Ritta Johns, Shaina Scribner, Stephaine Clay, Shyanne Chriscoe

Welcome and Call to Order- Kat Byers, Policy Council Chair

- Roll Call
- Kat called meeting to order at 10:04am
- Approval to use roll call as attendance (establish quorum)
 - Quorum was established
 - Kat asked for a motion to use toll call as attendance. Melanie Chaney Motioned to approve, supported by Brian Buckley, All were in favor and toll call as attendance was approved
- Review of agenda
- Approval of minutes from last meeting
 - Kat asked for a motion to approve last month's minutes. Kelsey McCoy motioned, supported by Melanie Chaney. All were in favor and motion was approved

Grounding Activity- Family Engagement Specialists

- Circle of Security and Your Journey Together
- Group watched video on Circle of security
- Stacey Referred group to Center of resilient children website
 - Group had a discussion about “checking ourselves” after watching a youtube video regarding challenging behavior in children by Devereaux Center for Resilient Children.
 - Arleen and Stacey led the group in a Self-Regulation A protective Factor activity with the whole group

Agency Updates and Connections- Shannon Phelps, Program Director

- Tax Program
 - Alica Temple introduced group to the free tax program; available online, virtual appointment, drop off at tax prep location, and in person and this is available to everyone
- Super Saturday
 - Alicia informed the group of Super Saturday
 - Lynette discussed the different vendors that will be present at Super Saturday

Program Information Summary- Management Team

- Staffing and Classroom Updates
 - Anne informed the group that the Hannah center would be splitting the classroom in to two groups both groups would be attending school two days a week
 - Anne explained that we renewed partnership with colleges to continue career fairs and get word out about career opportunities. There will be two upcoming career fairs. One will be at NMC and the other will be at the Career Tech Center in TC

Income and Eligibility Training- Alicia Temple, ERSEA and Health Manager

- Alicia Temple went over the purpose for Income and Eligibility training
- Alicia went over definitions of the six NCAA programs
- Alicia described the Head Start and Early Head Start Eligibility Requirements
- Group went over and discussed the 2023 Child Development Poverty Income Guidelines
- Alicia explained Enrollment Priority Criteria and the point system
- Alicia explained the NCAA Cornerstones of Culture and expressed importance of treating parents/families with respect and dignity
- Alicia informed group of the disciplinary action for falsifying documents
- Alicia broke down and explained the 22-23 Program Year Applications and Enrollment
- Alicia expressed the importance of recruitment and gave many ways to get word out about the NCAA programs

MHSA Report- Kat Byers, Melanie Chaney, and Blair Cole

- Kat talked about keeping healthy dialog with understanding and without confrontation
- Melanie discussed the importance of listening and setting honest and attainable goals for dialog
- Melanie explained what she learned in the social and emotional regulation workshop

Personnel

- Motion to approve personnel Melanie Chaney motioned to approve second motioned by Brian Buckley
- All in favor of approval for personnel motion carried

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 11:58am all in favor

Health Services Advisory Committee (optional session)

- This meeting will be held directly after Policy Council

Next Steps:

Meeting Objectives

1. Better understanding of Head Start locally and nationally
2. Obtain information on Head Start income and eligibility processes
3. Review and further develop updated COVID-19 Mitigation Policy

Next Meeting April 13, 2023

NMCAA Vision *NMCAA leads in strengthening our communities by empowering people to overcome barriers, build connections and improve their quality of life*

Chair – Kat Byers; Vice Chair – Blair Cole; Secretary – Kelsey McCoy; Treasurer – Tori Oglesbee; Parliamentarian Jessica Creary; State Delegates – Cecilia Staats, Melanie Chaney; Alternates- Blair Cole, Open