

## **MINUTES**

**Committee Members Present:** Dr. Susan Mims, Dr. Glenda Weinert, Kidada Wynn, Philip Belcher, Robert Pressley, Al Whitesides, Jasmine Beach-Ferrara, Jane Hatley, Rich Johnston, Christy Cheek, Leslie Anderson, Mistie Reising-Cogbill, Chavaun Letman

**County Support Staff Present:** Patricia Wallin, Angelyn Johnson, Burnett Walz, Kimberly Fullerton, Christina McEntee, Rasheeda McDaniels

### **Welcome**

Rasheeda McDaniels welcomed everyone and presented the agenda.

### **Approval of July 2<sup>nd</sup> Minutes**

Philip Belcher moved, and Christy Cheek seconded approval of the July 2<sup>nd</sup> minutes. Approval was unanimous.

### **Consideration of Revised Draft By-laws**

The following edits were suggested:

- In paragraph 1, at the beginning of the first sentence add “The purpose of the ECEDCF Committee is”
- On Page 2 – section C “terms” #3, change to say “No Committee member shall serve more than three (3) successive terms.”
- Page 2, section D #2 Secretary. First sentence of second paragraph, add “Secretary of the Committee shall provide oversight to County staff in preparing meeting agendas...”
- Page 3, #3 “Agendas” Change first sentence to “The officers shall have administrative oversight in organizing and documenting meetings, to include but not limited to agendas, minutes, notices, etc.”
- Page 3, #5 “Presiding Officer”- move this section to page 2 under Chair and Vice Chair.
- Page 6 – add “I” conflict of interest “In accordance with State Government Ethics Act, it is the duty of every Board member to avoid both conflicts of interest and appearance of conflict.” (will be read at each meeting and included on the bottom of each agenda)

Committee would like to see updated version of by-laws to vote on in September.

### **Election of officers – Chair, Vice-Chair & Secretary**

- Chair – Al Whitesides nominated Jasmine Beach-Ferrara, Leslie Anderson seconded the nomination, and the vote was unanimous.
- Vice-Chair – Jane Hatley nominated Glenda Weinert, Philip Belcher seconded the nomination, and the vote was unanimous.
- Secretary – Christy Cheek nominated Philip Belcher, Jane Hatley seconded the nomination, and the vote was unanimous.

### **Committee Member Initial Term Preference**

Each member indicated their preference for initial term limit. Leslie Anderson requested an initial three-year term; all other Committee members present indicated they had no preference.

**FY2020 Committee “Roadmap”**

Jasmine Beach-Ferrara provided an overview of the draft roadmap or draft committee work plan.

Comments about the Roadmap included:

- Would like to focus on ECE and achievement and opportunity gap in October.
- Would like to look at Greensboro in February
- In Sept and October - Make connection between ECE providers with K-12. Need to gain a common understanding of school readiness.
- Would like to address mental, social and emotional health.
- Need statistics on wages and living wages.
- November – look at what has been funded for years, the implications if not funded going forward. Want to make sure great programs continue receiving funding as well as support new ones.
- In October, would like a finance lesson on different types of funds (capital, etc.) Would like to do some prep work before discussion. Consider resource guide or handbook.
- Consider extending some meeting times as we get closer to allocating funds.
- Need to have site visit updates built into the agenda each month for feedback from site visits.

**Overview of Tipping Point Grants**

Applications now open for Buncombe County Tipping Point Grants. 20 grants will be made of \$5,000 each. This year, focusing on grants to nonprofits working on outcomes related to Commissioners’ strategic priorities. Deadline to submit applications is August 30<sup>th</sup>. Will host free grant writing sessions on August 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Next Steps**

Update by-laws for next meeting

Develop a site visit plan

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Announcements**

There may be a need to change the meeting time due to a proposed time change for the Commissioners’ Pre-Meeting that will conflict with this meeting. Commissioners will notify Committee as soon as a decision is made about the new Commissioners’ Pre-Meeting schedule.

**Adjourn:** Glenda Weinert moved, and Jane Hatley seconded to adjourn meeting.

**Next meeting:**

September 3, 2019