



Meeting Minutes|
Monday, November 9, 2020

Call to Order by Donna Custodio standing in for Erika Simmons, at 1:04

Present via Zoom: Donna Custodio, Donna Jackson, Angela Kessenich, Lory Sage, Lori Martinez, Shannon Puente, Joni Drake, and guest Karen Frazier from the Resource Connection

Public Matters not on the agenda: No public matters not on the agenda.

Approval of Minutes Angela moved and Donna Jackson seconded that the minutes from October 5, 2020 meeting be approved. The motion passed

Approval of Agenda

Shannon moved and Lori Martinez second to approve today's agenda as presented. Passed unanimously.

Old Business: PDG-I expenditure opportunities were discussed.

New Business:

Donna Custodio discussed the current PDG-I funds and shared that there was further guidance on allowable expenditures. A subcommittee consisting of Donna Custodio, Erika Simmons, Shannon Puente, and Sheri Noble will be meeting on Thursday, November 12, 2020 to discuss a few projects that we could use the PDG-I funds for.

The Workforce Pathways Grant Application (WPGA) was shared via email for members to review. The focus of the WPGA will be on the early learning workforce that is perusing credit bearing courses. Various stipends will be available to all state subsidized programs. Each candidate needs to have a professional development advisor. Donna Custodio is a professional development advisor and will be able to help candidates. The QIP will be used for the early learning workforce for other stipends such as trainings and non-credit bearing classes.

Council had a discussion regarding the annual "Celebrate Our Children" fair. Council has decided to do a drive by event instead of an in person event. There is a lot of

planning that goes into the event and last year we had to cancel due to COVID. The Council thought it would be better to put our energy into a drive by event. Some of the PDG-I funds will be used to help fund the celebration.

Donna Jackson continues to visit sites for her program “All Aboard the Veggie Train. She is sharing a recipe and sending home supplies with children. Children and teachers have enjoyed the presentations very much.

Donna Custodio shared the website template and Council members liked the look and layout of the page. Website will go live in the next two weeks.

Quality for Kids –

Erika was not able to attend today but shared the Quality Improvement Plan (QIP) and the Incentive Guidelines and Participation Forms to the Council for Quality for Kids via email.

Adjournment: Donna Jackson moved and Lory Sage seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 1:46pm. Passed unanimously. The next meeting will be on December 7, 2020 at 1:00