Early Childhood Advisory Council Meeting
June 18, 2020, 2:00 PM
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**Members Present (18):**
- Dave Morley, Chair
- Julie Hussey, Vice Chair
- Sue Williams
- Alexia Newman
- Joshua Baker
- Tim Holt
- Marshall Taylor
- Rep. Jerry Govan
- Roger Pryor, Jr.
- Mary Poole
- Michael Leach
- Mary Lynne Diggs
- Dr. David Mathis
- Sen. Gerald Malloy
- Sen. Greg Hembree
- Dr. Amy Williams
- Dr. Shelley Canright
- Jennifer McConnell

**Members Absent (3):**
- Rep. Rita Allison
- Angel Johnson-Brebner
- Walter Fleming

**Others Present (58):**
- Lt. Gov. Pamela Evette
- Georgia Mjartan
- Avian Jones
- Samantha Ingram
- Betty Gardiner
- Joyce Stacey
- Chelsea Richard
- Laura Baker
- Anna Workman
- Paula Durham
- Kim Archung
- Adriana Vidal
- Tina Camp
- Reginaid Williams
- Candi Lalonde
- Akela Collier
- Daniel Rayea
- Kim Trudell
- Crystal Campbell
- Sally Cauthen
- Mimi Frederiksen
- Tierra Thomas
- Megan Finnern
- Janie Quinn
- Suzanne McGougan
- Shayla Pettigrew
- Tonia Stuckey
- Joeann Conyers
- Veronica Reynolds
- Lisa Huff
- Carla Brown
- Cassie Barber
- Cindy Galloway
- SheKiah Reese
- Janice Kilburn
- Barbara Scott
- Nancy Ziobro
- Kawiana Young
- Jon Artz
- Spencer Scott
- Claudia Dunmore
- Cindy Ellis
- Carletta Israel
- Matthew Ferguson
- Kristine Jenkins
- Pierce McNair
- Christine DiStefano
- Fred Greer
- Delores Rock
- Kristie Bader
- Tiffany Outlaw
- Bridgett Shealey
- Martha Strickland
- Darlene Thomas-Burroughs
- Sharon Bruton
- Maggie Tucker
- Debbie Robertson
- Mark Barnes
Mr. Morley called the ECAC meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Mr. Morley thanked Dr. Toomey for his service on the board and welcomed Mr. Marshall Taylor, the new acting director of DHEC. Mr. Morley discussed to recent newspaper articles where SC First Steps was featured.

Ms. Mjartan asked for a quorum call. Quorum was met.

Mr. Morley provided a motion to approve the April 23, 2020 minutes as written. Mr. Pryor provided a second and the motion was unanimously approved.

Dr. Mathis thanked Ms. Barber for her assistance on the Interagency Collaboration Committee and provided a report on the committee.

Ms. Mjartan thanked Lt. Gov. Evette for her commitment to South Carolina’s young children and their families and offered appreciation for her participation in the Early Childhood Advisory Council.

Mr. Morley introduced Dan Ralyea, the Director of Research and Data Analysis for the SC Department of Education. Mr. Ralyea presented on the State Longitudinal Data System Grant. Dr. Mathis asked Mr. Ralyea what is needed from the ECAC. Mr. Ralyea is asking that the ECAC provide a data governance document for agencies to share and maintain early childhood data in SC.

Mr. Morley introduced Dr. Matthew Ferguson, Director of the Education Oversight Committee; Dr. Christine DiStefano, Professor of Education Psychology and Research at USC; and Dr. Fred Greer, Research Associate Professor at USC. They presented on the Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Report.

Mr. Leach presented on the Preschool Development Grant.

Mr. Morley provided an opportunity for Lt. Gov. Evette to speak, where she thanked Ms. Mjartan and all of the presenters for their data and research. She asked everyone to encourage the citizens of SC to complete the census.

Mr. Morley provided a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Hussey provided a second and the motion unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Morley at 3:31 p.m.