

**Washington State Family Child Care Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Olympia, WA  
January 24, 2009**

The **meeting was called to order** by President, Donna Horne at 9:00 AM. The meeting was hosted by Thurston County. Twenty-two people were in attendance, representing nine chapters.

Donna called for **additions or changes to the agenda**. Chris Price asked to add questions under old business.

The **minutes** were read. Sandi Clemans made a **motion** to accept the minutes written, Linda Brehmer **seconded**, and the **motion carried**.

A **roll call of chapters** was made. Chapters in attendance were Cowlitz, North King (and the Eastside satellite chapter), Skagit, Sky Valley, Snohomish, South Snohomish, Southwest King, Southwest Washington, and Thurston.

Joan Aarts gave the **financial report**. She combined October, November, and December on the financial report; January is not included.

There was no **medical/dental** report.

**Public Policy**

Sue Winn gave a report on **DEL**. We have a new director; Jone Bosworth has resigned. Karen Twedt is the interim director, until the governor appoints a new one.

**ELAC** is moving ahead with the professional development piece.

**QRIS** has been stopped because of the budget. Donna and Sue will continue to lobby for it. **Thrive by Five** is moving ahead in White Center and East Yakima.

Joan passed around a list of chapter officers for corrections.

**Town Hall Meetings** have been suspended because of the negativity. Donna talked to DEL about coming to one of our 4 meetings to have the conversations take place.

Don't plan on getting a raise. **SEIU** is going to court to sue to have it put back in the budget.

**Negotiated Rule Making** has not been doing anything for the last month and a half. They are meeting next Saturday to get back on track. Five sections are completed. There will be some drafts at the conference. The negotiated rule making committee threw out the old WACs and started fresh. They are hoping to be done in May and have public hearings in June. They may be done by September or October, if not they should be done by early next year. They've been working on them for a year and a half.

The **Provider Subsidy Trainings** were pulled at the end of October. Trainers had been giving out the wrong information. They will be starting again soon; watch your mail for classes. The trainers were re-trained. There is a new subsidy booklet with new rules. It will be online shortly. Those providers that were given wrong information have gotten or will be getting phone calls.

The **collaborative** had their last meeting a couple of weeks ago. The collaborative are advocates that support providers. It is focused on the people and the job that we do.

**The Professional Development Consortium** developed out of ELAC. There are 20 on the committee – Donna and Sue are the only provider voices. The consortium is looking at what professional development is out there and where, and how much it costs. They want to make a map and fill in the gaps.

Donna handed out a paper about the **Early Learning Action Alliance** . Their focus is on early learning.

### **Old Business**

Chris Price had questions about the liability insurance update. This is on the agenda under new business and will be discussed then.

There has been no response from Pierce County ; Joan will contact them.

We had a **break** from 9:52 to 10:01.

Interim Director, Karen Tvedt, from DEL was introduced. She answered questions and asked for comments and concerns that providers have.

### **Old Business**

**Conference** brochures went out on January 21<sup>st</sup>. The cost will be \$125 until February 28<sup>th</sup> when the early bird registration ends. There are 12 (first come- first served basis) \$100 scholarships for first time attendees. We sent out 3900 brochures. WAEYC gives \$100 a year for STARS; remember to use this to help offset the cost of the conference. The conference will be April 24, 25, and 26 at the SeaTac Marriott, with the state meeting on Sunday the 26<sup>th</sup>. The rooms are \$105 and tax per night for double occupancy. There is a swimming pool and a gym.

Carol Wilson reminded chapters about recognizing special members on Saturday night. Chapters may donate baskets and they can have a raffle of their own, if they like.

**Illegal Care** was discussed. You can fill out an information referral, form 3949 on the IRS website, and send it in anonymously. You can receive a reward from IRS on money collected if you don't send it anonymously.

### **New Business**

Sandi Clemans gave hand outs on comparison of **liability insurances**. She said that Tom Taylor Insurance is good. What Morgan Insurance presented and what they cover are two different things. You need to know what you're covered for.

Preschool and afterschool programs and licensing was discussed.

There was a **break for lunch** from 12:06 to 12:40.

Kathy Miller is our new **website** person. Send chapter information to her.

Maria Consuelo Lopez is not sending a **Spanish newsletter** if the members don't start attending state meetings.

Donna Horne announced that she is resigning as president because she was offered the job of program manager of CCR&R in Skagit County . Joan Aarts will get the 1-800# and the data base. Donna will still be an exempt trainer and will still do subsidy training.

Sue will continue to do the public policy and attend those meetings.

Donna will continue with negotiated rule making.

Maria will step in as president until the elections.

It was announced that we need three people to be on the **nominating committee**. Joan Aarts, Kimberlei Birdsong and Roxanne Pera volunteered. Joan will be the chair.

Officer Responsibilities are in the guidebook and in the bylaws.

Pam Carino made a **motion** to adjourn the meeting, Cory Huisman seconded, and the motion carried.

Donna announced that **chapter reports** should be handed into the secretary.

The meeting was **adjourned** at 1:16 PM.

LaVonne Counley, Secretary  
Washington State Family Child Care Association