

The regular meeting of Somerset County Head Start and Early Head Start's Policy Council was held Monday, June 18 at Hoss's Restaurant. Those in attendance were Stacy LoGreco, Karen Serball, Anitta Trimpey, Jade Terry, Brooke McKenzie and Jessica Culp. Linda McDonough also attended.

Jessica called the meeting to order at 11:15.

Stacy made a motion, seconded by Anitta, to approve the minutes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Linda distributed and reviewed the director's report.

Stacy made a motion, seconded by Anitta, to change the Head Start selection criteria points for children transitioning from Early Head Start and who are age and income eligible to 100 points from the 15 originally listed.

Motion passed unanimously.

Parents of children enrolled in classrooms that received state Head Start Supplemental Assistance Program (HSSAP) funding this year were surveyed as to what option they would prefer next year. This year HSSAP added 2 ½ hours a day to those classrooms and extended the school year to 180 days. That option was no longer available. The choices given the parents were: operate 4 hours a day for 180 days or operate 6 hours a day for 140 days. The parents overwhelmingly voted for 6 hours a day for 140 days with no school on Fridays, an extended Christmas break and school ending 1 week earlier than the districts.

Anitta made a motion, seconded by Stacy, to approve the selected change be sent to Regional Office for approval.

Motion passed unanimously.

Because staffing patterns may have to change and to review recruitment data, a budget and planning committee meeting was scheduled for July 3 at 10AM at Tableland.

Katie Hauger completed all necessary training and paperwork for the Parent Substitute Aide program. Karen made a motion, seconded by Brooke, to approve Katie Hauger as a PSA.

Motion passed unanimously.

Linda discussed the Cultivating the Roots of Leadership training to be held in Philadelphia and invited Policy Council members to contact her if they wished to attend.

The fiscal reports were in the packets. Anitta made a motion, seconded by Stacy, to approve the Head Start fiscal report.

Motion passed unanimously.

Anitta made a motion, seconded by Karen, to approve the Early Head Start fiscal report.

Motion passed unanimously.

Reports were given from Confluence, Maple Ridge and Kantner 1 and 2 highlighting the ned- ofth eyear and /or Family Fun celebrations.

There were no community/agency reports.

New Business

Linda reviewed the base outcomes for Early Head start. The next Policy Council meeting will be held August 6 at 11:15 at Hoss's.

The Executive Committee will meet on July 31 at Tableland at 10:30.

Anitta made a motion, seconded by Stacy, to adjourn.

Jessica adjourned the meeting at 11:55 and lunch was served.

Respectfully submitted,

Jade Terry