

South Carolina Association of Early Care and Education
Board Meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2017
10:00 am – 11:00 am
Haynsworth Sinkler Boyd
24th Floor Multipurpose Room

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the South Carolina Association of Early Care and Education was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2017. Those members present were Cindy Walton-McCawley, Deborah Madden, Margaret-Anne Gaffney and Ed Brashier. Participating by conference call were Carolyn Watt, Nancy Pryor, Tami Nix, Shannon Erickson and Tricia Sheldon. Present from the staff was Courtney Waldrup.

Call to Order: Vice President Carolyn Watt called the meeting to order and stated a quorum was established. She asked Cindy Walton-McCawley to preside over the meeting.

Minutes: There was a motion to accept the October 17, 2017 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded and passed without opposition.

Management Report: Waldrup presented the management report. She stated that the fall newsletter was sent out on November 13, 2017. Waldrup reported the SCAECE website domain hosting had change and there was a small discount to pay for hosting for the year. Driessen has redesigned the website and Waldrup asked the board to review. Waldrup reported all membership notices had been mailed. There was a new Family/Home Center member added, *A to Z Learning Center*, Pinkie Alford. A membership report is also included in the packet.

Membership Report: There was a discussion on the 2017 unrenewed members. Erickson volunteered to contact Big Blue Marble, Brashier volunteered to contact Crowfield Childhood Development and Watt volunteered to contact Kid Stuff Academy. Waldrup reported Driessen would contact the remaining 2017 unrenewed members.

Financial Report: Waldrup presented the October 2017 financial report. The October balance sheet reported a bank account balance of \$2,118.16. Waldrup reported as of December 1, 2017 the bank account balance was \$3,927.27. The November 2017 financial statement should be available by the end of the week.

Legislative Report: Erickson reported she had been approached by Thordahl offering a 6-month contract to only work during the legislative session, approximately December-May. Discussion followed. Erickson reported Thordahl works continuously for our association. There was no motion and the board agreed to continue with the yearly contract and review in February of 2018. Erickson reported that Thordahl has met with United Way and will be meeting with the Boys and Girls Club on getting on board with Senate Bill S4044 and House Bill 561 passed. Erickson

reported there is more chance to get the bill passed in the Senate through crossover. She indicated there is ground movement on community partnerships.

2018 Annual Conference: Waldrup reported Driessen had submitted the program to CCCC for approval. Walton-McCawley asked if anyone had received their ABC scholarship letters, and no one has. Walton-McCawley will follow up and report back on the status. Driessen will provide an updated report on any vendors/sponsors to Sheldon and Nix.

New Business

President Tammy Compton, submitted a letter of her resignation on October 24, 2017. There was a motion to accept the resignation. The motion was seconded and passed with no opposition. Carolyn Watt as Vice President will automatically succeed to the President. Watt asked that Waldrup, Driessen and Thordahl keep her well informed. She also asked for the boards full support.

Sheldon reported on the DSS Child Care Regulations. She indicated DSS would be sending them over and they do not have to wait until session starts to send them. The chairman of the Regulations Committee in the House just resigned. Erickson has asked to be appointed as chair of this committee. Sheldon will write a letter to the Speaker of the House on Erickson's behalf. Sheldon will also send a copy for the SCAECE Board to send on Erickson's behalf. Erickson will be sending Waldrup a list of the committee members and a brief summary. Waldrup was asked to distribute to the board once received.

Sheldon reported on the new federal regulations regarding the Central Registry checks. Sheldon reported the Central Registry workers must make the out of state requests. Sheldon reported that most states have a registry in some form or fashion. Sheldon stated the federal regulations are available. There was a question and discussion on if South Carolina needed its own regulations. Erickson volunteered to work with Sheldon and Thordahl on this.

The next board meeting will be January 16, 2017.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Courtney LC Waldrup