

Meeting of the Early Childhood Education Cabinet
Location – LOB Room 1B
October 15, 2007
1:00 – 4:45 p.m.

AGENDA

A. Welcome & Introductions

B. Approval of Minutes for July 30, 2007 [Attachment A]

C. Cabinet/Council Co-Chairs Report [1:15-1:30]

D. First Quarter Fiscal Update: Cabinet Funds [1:30-1:45] [Attachment B]

E. Discussion on Cabinet Operations [1:45-2:45]

1. How are we doing on collaborative decision-making and subsequent implementation of Cabinet decisions?
2. Do we need bylaws or Cabinet operating policy for our work?
3. When and how shall we discuss the issues of sustainable governance raised in Appendix A on “Management and Governance Options” in the *Early Childhood Investment Plan*?
4. Public Comment

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F. Update on SFY 08 Preschool Expansion [3:00-4:00] [Attachment C]

1. Cabinet staff present a preliminary report on key issues in the first quarter implementation of Connecticut’s preschool expansion
2. Public comment
3. Cabinet discussion

G. Accountability and Quality Planning Update [4:00-4:30]

1. Update on RBA Activities [Bennett Pudlin, Charter Oak]
2. Update on Charter Oak State College MOA for ECERS and Quality Improvement Program funds administration [Joy Staples/Dr. Merle Harris]
3. Public comment

G. Other Cabinet Items [4:30-4:45]

1. Items raised by Cabinet members
2. Items raised by public

H. Adjournment

Preliminary November 19, 2007 Cabinet Agenda Items

- A. Accountability Plan: Data Development and Management (estimate 60 minutes)
 - Progress report and preliminary findings from OWC/BRS Data Interoperability Project
 - Report on Local Data Development Meetings: CERC & Farnam
 - Data issues apparent from SFY 07 RBA Cabinet work
 - Data issues inherent in required research efforts for SFY 08
- B. First Reading: ECE Workforce Plan (Due to legislature by end of December)
- C. First Reading: PreK-K Space/Facilities Plan (Due to legislature by end of December)
- D. First Reading: Proposed Infant-Toddler Systems Framework (estimate 45 minutes)
- E. First Reading: Proposed K-3 Systems Framework (estimate 45 minutes)

Key Dates Upcoming

Events:

- October 29: CT Research Summit
- December 7: National Experts Review of Child Poverty and Prevention Council Action Items
- January 15: Governor's Early Childhood Summit

Cabinet Meeting Dates

- November 19
- December 10
- January 14
- February 11

Upcoming Key Due Dates

- ECE Workforce Plan: End of December to legislature
- PreK Space/Facilities Plan: End of December to legislature
- Cabinet adoption of Infant-Toddler Systems Framework: December/January meeting
- Cabinet adoption of K-3 Systems Framework: December/January meeting
- Cabinet RBA Appropriations presentation – February TBD