

**Early Childhood Education Cabinet Retreat
July 7, 2008 9:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

AGENDA

- 9:30 Welcome**
- The Co-Chairs welcome the Cabinet and review the goals of the retreat. The facilitators review the complexity of the work, the agenda and the ground rules for the retreat.
- 9:40 Setting the Context**
- Co-Chair Janice Gruendel will provide a short overview of the Cabinet's work thus far to set the frame for the day followed by a brief discussion.
- 10:00 Economic Realities: Options for Maintaining Momentum**
- OPM Secretary and Cabinet member Robert Genuario will review expected economic realities for the coming one to three year period. The Cabinet will explore the implications of three fiscal scenarios and discuss how the Cabinet will develop proposals for the next biennium budget in accordance with its statutory authority.
- 10:45** Cabinet members will work in small groups to discuss how to balance the three child outcome results from the Ready by Five Fine by Nine agenda within the context of these economic realities. Each small group will report out and discuss common themes and areas of difference.
- 12:00 Lunch**
- 12:30 Moving Ahead in SFY 09**
- Co-Chair Gruendel will briefly review ongoing Cabinet initiatives. B-3, preschool and K-3 working group leaders provide a 5 minute summary. Through a facilitated discussion, the Cabinet will prioritize areas of strategic focus, key action items SFY 09 implementation and determine how the work will be accomplished through the new Cabinet structure. **Action: Approval of SFY 09 action items and assignment to Standing Committees, their working groups, & the Office of the Cabinet.**
- 2:30 SFY 09 Cabinet Budget**
- The Cabinet will review its proposed SFY 09 budget and align it with the priorities from previous discussion. **Action: Approval of SFY 09 Cabinet budget**
- 2:45 Operating Guidelines: Final Review and Approval**
- Through a facilitated discussion, the recommended changes from the on-line survey will be reviewed. **Action: Approval of Cabinet operating guidelines**
- 3:15 Going Forward**
- The Cabinet will review the proposed SFY 09 meeting schedule and how Cabinet meetings and communications can be organized to foster engagement and deliberation. **Action: Approval of SFY 09 Cabinet schedule and June 9, 2008 Cabinet meeting minutes**
- 3:45 Retreat Evaluation**
- 4:00 Adjourn**