

Legislative Task Force on Access to Affordable Child Care
Meeting 2
October 17, 2016
1200 Minnesota Senate Building
Time: 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Tentative Agenda:

1. Call to Order
2. Review Agenda, Approve Minutes from September meeting, Review Work Plan (5 minutes)
3. Review current provider levels: (25 minutes)
 - Charge 1: Review the loss of child care providers in the state
 - Task: Evaluate access to culturally appropriate child care
 - Task: Consider options for exit interviews with providers who leave the child care field or choose not to be relicensed
 - RuralMN.org – Marnie Werner
 - Think Small – Cisa Keller
 - DHS
 - MACSSA (exit interview task) – Kareem Murphy
4. Review child care provider retention and support strategies: (25 minutes)
 - Task: Consider creation of a board of child care to be responsible for all matters related to licensing of child care providers, both in-home and center-based
 - Task: Consider uniform training requirements for county employees and their supervisors who perform duties related to licensing
 - Career Pathways and Workforce Development
 - High-level discussion of higher ed opportunities for child care and education credentials
 - Readout from DHS on two work groups who are meeting on related topics
 - DHS
 - MACSSA (Board of child care and uniform training requirements tasks)
5. Training: (40 minutes)
 - Task: Review the current preservice and in-service training requirements for family child care providers and child care center staff. Include availability, cost, delivery methods for:
 - Training for licensing
 - Training for Parent Aware Rating System

(Include information on how this training aligns with Minnesota’s Career Lattice and Minnesota’s Knowledge and Competency Framework for Early Childhood and School-Aged Care Practitioners)

 - DHS
 - Models for training delivery
 - Bloomington – Karen Cadigan
 - Greater MN
 - Rochester – Sandra Simar
 - Pine County – Wendy Walburg
6. Public Testimony (25 minutes)

7. Adjournment