

**Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
PDG B-5 Cross Agency Child Council Minutes
October 20, 2020**

Attendees

Guests:

Last Name	First Name	Agency
Adams	Susan	Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
Betancur Santamaria	Catalina	Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Family Ambassador
Binderman	Mindy	Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students (GEEARS)
Bolton-Gary	Cynthia	University System of Georgia
Dooley	Caitlin	Georgia Department of Education
Fener-Sitkoff	Erica	Voices for Georgia's Children
Hutchins	Tre'	Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning Family Ambassador
Kasfir	Elisabetta	Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
Mousinho	Colleen	Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children Services
Osmani	LaToya	Georgia Department of Public Health
Ponder	Bentley	Department of Early Care and Learning
Rickman	Dana	Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education (GPEE)
Setterlind	Allison	Georgia Head Start
Stevens	Pam	Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
Turner	Kimberly	Governor's Office for Student Achievement
Williams	Miranda	Office of the Governor

Carl Vinson Institute of Government Facilitators: David Tanner, Beverly Johnson, Melinda Moore, Theresa Wright, Michael Moryc, Jennifer Inglett-Hendershot, Meghan Armstrong

DECAL Staff: Susan Adams, Deputy Commissioner of Pre-K and Instructional Supports; Bentley Ponder, Deputy Commissioner of Quality Innovations and Partnerships; Rob O'Callaghan, Senior Research and Policy Analyst; Clayton Bassett, Preschool Development Grant Director; Courtney Woullard, Preschool Development Grant Coordinator

Meeting Minutes

On October 20, 2020 the Cross-Agency Child Council (CACC) for the Preschool Development Grant, Birth through Five (PDG B-5), facilitated by the University of Georgia's Carl Vinson

Institute of Government (Institute of Government) was called to order at 9:30 am by Deputy Commissioner Susan Adams.

Dr. Melinda Moore opened the meeting with a welcome and introduction of staff from the Carl Vinson Institute of Government and the Department of Early Care and Learning (DECAL) and an overview of the agenda and purpose of the meeting.

Deputy Commissioner Bentley Ponder and Deputy Commissioner Adams then gave an overview of the PDG B-5 non-competitive renewal grant submitted the previous week. They also gave an update on data being collected about the impact of COVID-19 on Georgia's early childhood care and education system.

Mr. David Tanner reviewed the work Cross Agency Child Council (the Council) members completed in the previous meeting September 30, 2020 and then led the Council in a brainstorming activity about PDG B-5 goal areas.

Council members were broken into three groups and given two goal areas each. Groups were facilitated by Institute of Government staff who documented the brainstorming activity outcomes.

After the first activity, the Council was reconvened into a large group and Deputy Commissioners Adams and Ponder gave a short overview of PDG B-5 activities and projects defined in the federal proposal.

Mr. Tanner asked Council members to break into their groups again to match grant activities to goal areas. After the three groups matched activities to goal areas, the Council reconvened into a large group and Institute of Government facilitators reviewed each groups' brainstorming and grant activity matching outcomes.

Then, the Council was broken into the three smaller groups to identify measures of success and indicators of progress to track progress towards goal areas and activities. Mr. Tanner then brought the Council into a large group and reviewed measures of success identified by the Council.

Mr. Tanner closed the meeting with the last activity assigning leaders to activities and goal areas. The Council members viewed the goal areas and activities and volunteered and assigned themselves for tasks and goal areas to lead.

After the last activity, Deputy Commissioner Adams thanked the Council members for their insight and time. The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.