



**SECAC MEETING MINUTES – February 2, 2011**

**Council Attendees:** Ricky Berry, Nadine Coleman, Louise Davis, Jill Dent, Oleta Fitzgerald, Johnny Franklin, Brooks Ann Gaston, Cathy Grace, Trecina Green, Annjo Lemons, Gay Logan, Lora Mederos, Steve Renfroe, Lisa Romine, Festus Simkins, Holly Spivey, Nita Thompson, Tanya Tullos, Rhea Williams-Bishop

**Public Attendees:** Ferlisa Shaw-Lee (STG International), Laurie Smith (MBB), Valerie Campbell (STG International), John Williams

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action to be Taken</b>
<b><i>Call the Meeting to Order</i></b>	Grace called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.	
<b><i>Approval of the Minutes from 12/2/2010</i></b>	Copies of the minutes from the December 2, 2010, meeting were distributed to the Council. Minor corrections were noted. Renfroe made a motion and Romine seconded to accept the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.	Change the Tupelo Health Center to North MS State Hospital; change the submission date of the literacy plan from 2.2.10 to 2.1.10.
<b><i>Introductions of Council &amp; Guests</i></b>	Grace asked the attendees to introduce themselves and name the entities they represented.	
<b><i>Updates from the Chair</i></b>	Grace stated that an Executive Director had been hired and that each legislator had received an Executive Summary. Updates from a national perspective in regards to SECAC, Kindergarten, and the CORE standards were also provided.	
<b><i>Updates from the Executive Director</i></b>	Lemons stated that the SECAC blog would be completed in a few weeks. Lemons also reviewed the Committees and Committee work with the group. Davis recommended the SECAC organize a press conference to highlight the Council success. Thompson also suggested each respective agency put the Council's successes on their agency's website. Renfroe suggested meeting with the Clarion Ledger Editorial Board as well. Davis made a motion to convene a press conference. Coleman and Renfroe seconded the motion.	Lemons will discuss the press conference again with the press secretary, deputy press secretary, and the Governor's Chief of Staff.
<b><i>Updates from Member Agencies: Nadine Coleman</i></b>	Coleman updated the Council on the EDI- Early Development Instrument. She stated that a meeting with a United Way Worldwide representative will be held on 2/3/11 after the Kids Count meeting. Kellogg picked up United Way Worldwide as a site.	One question that was raised..."Could this tool be used to see how effective Title I funds are?"

<b>Updates from Member Agencies: Jill Dent</b>	If the state does not receive the funds recommended by President Obama then some children will be taken off the certificate program. The department is back to 2008 funding levels.	
<b>Updates from Member Agencies: Nita Thompson</b>	Thompson stated that some programs are considering asking for reductions in enrollment to be able to adequately serve the children. Thompson updated the members on the Head Start trip to Washington, D.C. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No federal dollars were used – local programs sold raffle tickets</li> <li>• 56 parents will meet with Cochran, Wicker, Thompson, Harper, and Palazzo to tell “their” story – how Head Start has impacted their lives.</li> </ul>	
<b>Updates from Member Agencies: Trecina Green</b>	Green updated the Council on the Statewide Literacy Plan. The Plan was submitted to USDE on February 1, 2011.	
<b>Committee Reports</b>	Dent stated if there are any changes in goals and objectives for year one then please let her know by 2.16.11. She must notify ACF, and the requests could take 60 days.	
<b>Coordinated Services Model – Steve Renfroe</b>	Renfroe discussed the scope of work from recommendation 4.	Lemons will assist with the scope of work.
<b>Healthcare Access – Rhea Williams-Bishop</b>	Bishop had a few changes but stated she would email the changes to Lemons.	Lemons will assist with the scope of work.
<b>Committee Reports Workforce Dev. – Louise Davis</b>	The Council voted on adopting TEACH/WAGES model to implement with Council grant funds.	
<b>Public Comments</b>	Smith updated the Council on the Mississippi Building Blocks press conference as well as the Lt. Governor’s Task Force.	
<b>Other Business</b>	April 7 will be the date of the next Council meeting.	
<b>Adjourn</b>	The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.	