



GATEWAYS TO OPPORTUNITY

Illinois Professional Development System

PDAC Steering Committee

May 20, 2015: 11:00 AM – 7:30 PM

May 21, 2015: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Eastland Suites - Urbana

Agenda

Mission: To promote, support, and recognize professional preparation and training for all current and future early care and education, school-age, and youth development practitioners.

Vision: Illinois early care and education, school-age, and youth development practitioners are well-qualified professionals who educate, nurture, and meet the needs of children and youth in partnership with their families.

Values: We believe an effective professional development system is inclusive of practitioners in all settings serving children, youth, and families; service providers and program staff; and educators and trainers.

Day 1: May 20, 2015

- 11:00 AM** **Welcome – Cass Wolfe and Deb Widenhofer, Co-Chairs**
- Overview of Agenda
 - Housekeeping
- 11:10 AM** **Celebrations**
- 11:20 AM** **Discussion: Institute of Medicine and National Research Council 2015 Report: Transforming the Workforce for Children Birth through Age 8 – A Unifying Foundation – Dawn Thomas and Lauri Morrison Frichtl, IT Co-Chairs**
- 12:00 PM** **Lunch with Panel**
- **Federal Initiatives, State Impact and Implications for PDAC**
 - Early Head Start/Child Care Partnerships – *Lauri Morrison Frichtl*
 - DFSS – HS/EHS: need for Credentials
 - Illinois State Board of Education – *Donna Emmons and Karen McCarthy*
 - Preschool for All Expansion
 - Illinois Department of Human Services – *Anne Wharff*
 - CCDBG reauthorization – State Budgets
 - Federal Initiatives Impact – *Joni Scritchlow, Beth Knight and Joellyn Whitehead*
- 10 minute break**
- EPPI Grants/IERC research overview – *Stephanie Bernoteit, Illinois Board of Higher Education*
 - Governor's Office of Early Childhood Development – *Christi Chadwick*
 - Innovative thinking
- 3:00 PM** **Break**
- 3:20 PM** **ECE Credential Work Group *draft* recommendations – Christi Chadwick**
- 4:00 PM** **PDAC Strategic Thinking - Activity**
- **How can PDAC evolve to demonstrate relevancy/flexibility/transparency/adaptation to evolving and new landscape/research/information?**
 - **How is the landscape different? What requires flexibility/new approach? What are we hearing in the field?**
- 5:15 PM** **Summary**
- 5:30 PM** **Plans for tomorrow & adjourn**
- 6:15 PM** **Biaggi's reservations at 6:30 (meet 6:15 in lobby)**

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Day 2: May 21, 2015

- 8:15 AM** **Breakfast Conversation**
- What resonates from yesterday?
- 8:40 AM** **Training Landscape – *Beth Knight***
- **Recommendation**
- 10:30 AM** **Break (room check out etc.)**
- 11:00 AM** **ECE Credential work group recommendation(s) discussion – *Christi Chadwick***
- 12:15PM** **Lunch**
- 1:00 PM** **Workforce Compensation Overview – *Joni Scritchlow***
- 1:45 PM** **Shared Credential Framework (capture input) – *Joni Scritchlow***
- 2:00 PM** **Approval of March 18, 2015 Minutes – *Deb Widenhofer***
- 2:10 PM** **Review and final approval of the PDAC Strategic Plan**
- 2:40 PM** **FY16 Committees – Attendance Lists – *Julie Lindstrom***
- 2:50 PM** **FY16 Meeting Dates and Annual Meeting – *Julie Lindstrom***
- 3:00 PM** **Adjourn**



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