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Present: Kerry Haynes, Raeanne Reynolds, Robin Comey, Judy Hall, Ginger Vickstrom and Jamie Cosgrove

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 am.

The approval of minutes from 10/21/16, 11/18/17 and special meeting minutes dated 1/20/17 were tabled until next month.

Liaison Report:

- BELC had a SR slot open and the next child on the wait list has a sibling currently enrolled in the FRC program. We are moving the vacant slot from BELC to FRC in order to accommodate this family. The slot will be returned to BELC in September.
- January 11, 2017 Ginger and Judy attended a state meeting in Middletown. We received copies of the *Connecticut Core Knowledge and Competency Framework for Professionals Working with Young Children and Their Families*. This is a new document to be used by professionals across multiple early childhood roles. It is not the same as the Connecticut Preschool Framework or *CT ELDS*. This document is available online at OEC. We were given a copy for each of our School Readiness sites.
- There was a discussion of the upcoming state budget - agencies had already been told to plan for cuts.
- Care4Kids has over 2,000 families on the wait list.
- March 8, 2017 is the next State meeting.
- New grant application for FY 2017-2018 will come out in early March. Applications will be due in May.

Old Business:

- SR Literacy Quality Enhancement Grant for 2016-17
- Raeanne Reynolds has offered to work with Dale, Ginger and Judy to create a job description for this position. This job posting will go out to all retired teachers and Judy will ask Michele Krumenacker to put this on her list serve.

Committee Reports:

- Robin Comey was having a meeting today to work on Week of the Young Child which will be held the last week in April.
- Last month there was a Literacy Fair that was attended by 25 people. Read to Grow, both town libraries and a staff member from FRC gave presentations.
- February 28th there will be a workshop at BELC called Creative Art Activities. 6-7:30 pm
- Robin is trying to get Mary Diamond from ECCP to have a workshop around behaviors.

New Business: none

Public Comment: none

Motion to adjourn 10:34 am (Jamie Cosgrove) Seconded: Raeanne Reynolds

Respectfully submitted, Ginger Vickstrom