

ICC Council Committee

Meeting Minutes

January 22nd, 2021

11:30am-2:00pm

ICC Members Attendance

Katie Murdoch, ICC Board Chair
Lana Graber, ICC Vice Chair; Development Committee Chair
Suzanne Perry, ADE
Dana Hutchings, EI Provider; Fiscal Committee Chair
Sarah Greene
Laurie Shook
Kathleen Muldoon
Judith Walker, AHCCCS
Christopher Keck, DCS
Kendra Benedict, ASDB
Brittany Miller, Family Engagement Committee Chair
Sonia Samaniego, ACDHH

AzEIP Staff Present

Alicia Amundson-Ex Officio Board member
Tanya Goitia
Lisa Casteel
Lisa Monreal
Anissa Moussa
Estrella Olivo
Anisa Stedmire
Dr. Jenn Nojunas
Danyelle Harris

Members of the Public

Virtual attendees

1. **Call to Order and Welcome All** - Katie Murdoch, ICC Chair
 - a. Meeting called to order at 11:32am.
 - b. If you have any comments, please forward your questions or concerns to allazeip2@azdes.gov or type your questions in the chat box during the meeting. The meeting will be recorded to ensure we capture all content.
2. **Family Story** – Laurie Sang
3. **ICC Updates** - Katie Murdoch, ICC Chair
 - Annual Performance Report:
 - Annual process of federal reporting; ICC must write a report every year or certify the report written by the state. January is usually that meeting

- Alicia reported on Annual Performance Report Data for FFY 2019
 - Was able to use feedback from stakeholders meeting
 - Katie Murdoch-motion to approve APR certification, Judith Walker motioned and board approved
- a. ICC Schedule
- i. Katie Murdoch-motion to approve ICC Meeting schedule, Laurie Shook motioned and board approved.
- b. Other ICC Updates
- Educational:
- i. Legislative and Policy work, working with a coalition to help push through
 - ii. Coalition includes: DAMES, The ARC of AZ, SARRC, UofA Cooperative Extension, Prevent Child Abuse AZ, Kaibab, Pilot Parents of Southern AZ and Autism Society of Southern AZ
 - iii. Two legislative/policy items; adding screening requirements for autism and adding programs for parents dealing with children who exhibit problem behaviors
 - iv. Screening for autism early (0-3) is important and reliable; can catch and diagnose; allow for more targeted research and support
 - v. CDC recommends autism screenings be done at 18mons/24mons.
 - vi. Solution:
 1. Bill will be introduced by Sen. Bowie LD18
 2. AzEIP has approved screening tools practitioners can use
 3. RSK also providing AzEIP with a list of where parents can go to get a formal diagnosis.
 - vii. Providing greater support to parents:
 1. In 2019 1/3 of calls to RSK for AzEIP services were seeking help with problem behaviors
 2. Children with a disability are 3.5 times more likely to be abused
 3. Children with disabilities are more likely to be removed from their parents due to “parental inability to cope”
 4. AzEIP providers identified that they are lacking programs that support parents and help them address problem behaviors
 - viii. Solution:
 1. Stepping Stones Triple P
 - Evidenced based program that improves parental relationships, parental style and has been shown to not only decrease verbal abuse by also physical abuse. This can be done in a group, individual or seminar setting
 - ix. Funding can be a roadblock but working for a solution by accessing funds from the Autism CARES Act through ArizonaLEND-meeting has been scheduled
 - x. How you can help:
 1. Join the coalition
 2. Contact legislators when autism screening bill comes out
 3. Help locate other programs
- Provide feedback

4. Committee Updates

- a. Transition Committee - Stephanie Collier, Chair
 - a. Transition Committee did not meet
- b. Fiscal Committee - Dana Hutchings, Chair
 - a. Rate Rebase-ongoing
 - b. Letters for COVID19 funding
 - c. Family Guide to Funding-ongoing
 - d. Working on getting support coordination billing changed
 - e. Working on AHCCCS and Focus to improve billing system
- c. Family Survey Committee - Brittany Miller, Chair
 - a. Have transitioned to Family Engagement Committee
 - b. Going forward this committee will recruit the families for stories
 - i. Families can be highlighted in the newsletter
 - ii. Committees-can have as many as want without being Board members-members can be appointed by committee chair
 - c. Template for interested families has been created-will have a link
 - d. Meeting in Feb to discuss Social Media Guidelines
- d. Development Committee - Lana Graber, Chair
 - a. Development Committee did not meet
 - b. Feb 4 will be next meeting
 - i. Will have updates at that meeting
 - ii. Will discuss appointing a new chairperson

5. AzEIP Updates - AzEIP Team

Announcements:

- a. OSEP Findings and Response
 - o Working with Office of Special Education Program to report on progress
 - o Continue developing formal agreements with service providing agencies
 - o Update training and technical assistance
 - o Update policies and procedures for public comment
- b. Annual Performance Report (APR)
- c. Upcoming Events
 - o Grant application required every year and will include revised policies and procedures
 - o SSIP is upcoming and will include updates within Executive Committee meeting
 - o EI/ECSE Conference Feb 11 & 12
- d. Fiscal Updates
 - o Rate Rebase report to be coming soon
 - o Provider meeting next week
 - o Fiscal System Framework Self-Assessment
- e. Comprehensive System of Personnel Development (CSPD)
 - o Need family participants for all workgroups:
 - i. Leadership
 - ii. Preservice
 - iii. Personnel Standards
 - iv. Recruitment and Retention
 - v. Inservice
 - vi. Evaluation
 - o Action plans being updated in all groups

- Will have more updates at next ICC meeting
- f. COVID-19 Task force
 - AzEIP is continuing to provide services through alternative methods
 - Continuing to work with taskforce
 - Meetings will continue to support implementation

6. Updates from ICC membership - All ICC membership

Christopher Keck-DCS

- a. Within DES-five-year effort to update child welfare information system-will be live Feb 1
- b. DCS-April 1 will go live with strategy for integrated health care within AZ child welfare system-communication will go out for distribution
- c. This is the year Families First Prevention Services Act legislation will be implemented in AZ

Judith Walker

- a. Working with AHCCCS to schedule meeting to review AzEIP coordinators-tentative date has been set
- b. State has been working with The National Program of 0-3-looking at different activities in AZ

Suzanne Perry-DEC

- a. Early Childhood Special Education unit moved under Exceptional Student Services
- b. Staff has been holding meetings around the state-quarterly/regional meetings
- c. DEC submitted new transition policies and procedures to OSEP-waiting for approval
- d. Someone from Early Childhood unit will be applying for the aRPy Ambassadorship
- e. Partnering with AzEIP to present this years' Summit

7. Adjourn Meeting - Katie Murdoch, ICC Chair