Education and Employment Committee

Wednesday, April 17, 2019, 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Embassy Suites– Baton Rouge 4914 Constitution Ave.

AGENDA

- 3:00 PM Welcome and Introductions Mary Tarver
- 3:10 PM Approval of the January 2019 Meeting Summary [Vote]

3:15 PM **EMPLOYMENT**

- Advocate for certified Employment Support Professionals (ESPs) (5.1.1)
 - Staff Recommendation is to clarify and/or simplify the scope of 5.1.1
 - Recommended language: Advocate for supported employment professionals to complete high-quality professional development for the improvement of service provisions and employment outcomes.
- Provide funding to build the capacity of employment providers through training and a demonstration project in customized employment for individuals with significant disabilities. (5.1.3)
- Provide funding for web-based training sessions in supported employment to build the capacity of up to 600 individuals at every level of the service delivery system, including but not limited to state and regional staff of State agencies, supported employment provider administrators, employment support professionals, and support coordinators. (5.1.5)
 - Report by Rosemary Morales, OCDD

4:10 PM EDUCATION

- Provide financial support for professional development opportunities for child care providers and EarlySteps interventionists to build capacity with including children with disabilities in Early Learning Centers within Local Communities. (4.1.3)
 - o Report by Toni Ledet.

4:20 PM BREAK

4:30 PM **EDUCATION** (continued)

- Advocate for LDOE focus and capacity to address Special Ed. (3.1.1)
 - Recommend clarification of expectations.
- Advocate for improved complaint and monitoring procedures. (3.2.2)
 - <u>LaDDC News article</u> sharing the release of special education monitoring reports and corrective actions by the Louisiana Department of Education.
- Emergent education issues (3.4.1) Consideration of Council Positions on
 - IDEA FFY19 Budget Proposal
 - SEAP March 27, 2019 Meeting Materials
 - IDEA budget graphs FFY10-FFY19

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- Public Comment period: March 27 April 26, 2019
- LDOE Plan to address Special School District and provide support to schools statewide in serving students with significant disabilities.
 - See Action Alert #3;
 - Findings Report (Special Education Center) 3.8.19
 - LSEC: Preliminary Findings of Special Education Review, February 2019
 - Recommend the Committee consider requesting the Council take a position to advocate for LDOE to separate addressing issues with Special School District from plan to provide support to schools statewide in serving students with significant disabilities.

5:55 Announcements/Evaluations – Mary Tarver

6:00 Adjourn

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