



# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA

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## Early Childhood Advisory Committee September 12, 2024

### Minutes

#### Roll

##### In-person

1. Susan Patrick
2. Bergen Nelson
3. Bweikia Foster Steen
4. Cheryl Morman
5. Clark Andrs
6. Darrell Turner
7. Holly McCartney
8. Jennifer Parish
9. Maryam sharifian
10. Sandra Wilberger
11. Shikee Franklin
12. Valerie Irizarry
13. Vivien McMahan

##### Absent

1. Wendy Lipscomb

##### Virtual

1. Cecilia Suarez
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual Location: Alexandria
2. Christen Johnson
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual location: Winchester
3. Gina Wohlford
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual location: Norton City Schools
4. Malinda Langford
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual Location: Alexandria
5. Michelle Howard
  - Rationale: Medical
  - Virtual Location: Alexandria
6. Elizabeth Yanez
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual Location: Abingdon
7. Christopher Quinn
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual Location: Harrisonburg
8. Erin Edmonson
  - Rationale: Residence is more than 60 miles from meeting location
  - Virtual Location: Roanoke

- I. Full Advisory Committee Convenes 1:06 PM
- Approval of May Minutes
    - i. Motion to approve: Malinda Langford
    - ii. Motion to second: Bergen Nelson
    - iii. In favor: unanimous
    - iv. Opposed: none
    - v. The motion carries
  - Introduction of ECAC Members
- II. Update: Virginia’s State of the State Summary 1:21 PM  
Jenna Conway, VDOE
- III. Update: Commission on Early Childhood Care and Education 2:13 PM  
Jenna Conway, VDOE
- IV. Update: General Procedures, Background Checks Regulation, and Fast Track Regulatory Revisions to Stock Epinephrine 2:31 PM  
Jenna Conway, VDOE
- V. Review Public Comment 2:43 PM
- Proposed a motion to move the review of public comment to be agenda item V.
    - Motion to approve: Clark Andrs
    - Motion to second: Malinda Langford
    - In favor: unanimous
    - Opposed: none
    - The motion carries
- 2:51 PM
- VI. Presentation: Proposed Standards for Licensed Child Day Centers  
Jenna Conway, VDOE
- Proposed a motion to endorse with a recommendation to revise 8VAC20-781-320 E intervening time between confinements from “at least one hour” to read as “at least 30 minutes.”
    - Motion to endorse with recommendation: Clark Andrs
    - Motion to second: Valerie Irizarry
    - In favor: unanimous
    - Opposed: none
    - The motion carries
  - Proposed a motion regarding 8VAC20-781-230 C, to add the language “and subsequent licenses” back to this paragraph, with the understanding that this will be revisited as data regarding impact on programs is gathered by VDOE to the extent feasible.
    - Motion to endorse: Clark Andrs
    - Motion to second: Holly McCartney
    - In favor: 13
      - Ms. Suarez
      - Mr. Andrs
      - Ms. Morman
      - Ms. Edmonson
      - Ms. Johnson

- Ms. Langford
- Ms. Wohlford
- Ms. Howard
- Ms. Sharifian
- Ms. Yanez
- Mr. Quinn
- Ms. Irizarry
- Ms. McCartney

- Opposed: 7

- Ms. Parish
- Ms. Franklin
- Mr. Turner
- Ms. McMahan
- Dr. Nelson
- Ms. Wilberger
- Ms. Patrick

- The motion carries

VII. Adjournment

4:01 PM

- Motion to adjourn: Bergen Nelson
- Motion to second: Daryl Turner

***Next meeting date: November 21, 2024***