Niagara Child Care Sector Executive Meeting

Tuesday January 17, 2023 • 9:00 a.m. • ECCDC Conference Room

- **Present:** Melissa McLauchlan, Kim Cole, Lorrey Arial Bonilla, Micki Horton, Christina Clark, Lindsay Milligan, Tracey Murray, Sarah Maragoudakis
- Regrets: Helene Randle, Candice Penny, Pam McLean-Stubbs, Sandra Della Porta

Item	Discussion	Action	Who
Minute Recorder	Julie Thompson, ECCDC		
1. Welcome & Intros			
2. Correspondence	None received		
3. Minutes Approval: November 8, 2022	• No changes		
4. Business Arising	 Awards of Excellence Licensed Child Care Administrator Award Melissa thanked the committee for the surprise award. All the water bottles were given out. 		
	 Workplan – Reintroduction of NCCSE bulk email This could include the AOE sponsorship information/winner, new Chair information, vision and mission. 		
	 Workplan – Fireside Chat We'll need a Fireside Chat 'save the date'. Set date for March 29 from 6:30 to 8:00pm Topics to include in NCCSE survey: Health and Wellness; Children and Behaviours; College of ECE Portfolio; Child Development; and Leadership and mentorship. Include "other" choice with blank box respondent can fill in. The bulk email can contain reintroduction information, AOE info, new Chair, Fireplace Chat info and request to participate in survey. Will have virtual meeting to review survey results February 7, 9:00am 	 Lindsay will ask if fireplace at Niagara College can be booked. Backup location could be ECCDC. Melissa will draft, get feedback by email, Julie will format Mission to be added to agenda 	

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5. Connections to sector	 Facebook update (Candice) There are 31 followers on Instagram. 118 accounts were reached. There were 2 new followers on Facebook. Candice asked for information for a post about Jackie. Website stats (Lorrey) Stats for January-December 2022 were shared. 	• Lorrey will send to committee	
6. Round Table Updates	• General discussion took place around Niagara Region special funds and how they're struggling with them. Lorrey suggested this information could be kept in mind to stream to Satinder for community consultation.		
	 Niagara College (Lindsay) – Some students from Atlantic Tech University in Ireland are participating in some training. Co-learning has been exciting. We may be doing some site visits with them. Jackie Frail is Interim Associate Dean, Carol Phillips is Dean. 		
	 ECCDC (Lorrey) – We have been working with Kelly Wilcox on the ECE Virtual Job Fair. 		
	 Strive (Micki) – We opened up a new centre in Grimsby (previously Kidzdome Nelles location. The new name is the Jarrell Centre 		
	 Grimsby Co-op (Melissa) – We are now a non-profit and our name has changed to Grimsby Community Preschool. 		
7. Potential events & media opportunities	• N/A		
8. Next meeting date(s)	 Tuesday February 7, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. (Fireside Chat, virtual meeting) Tuesday March 7, Tuesday May 9, and Tuesday September 26 from 9:00-11:00am at the ECCDC, 3550 Schmon Parkway, Thorold 		