

## Niagara Child Care Sector Executive Meeting

Tuesday May 28, 2024 • 9:30 a.m. • Zoom

**Present:** Melissa McLauchlan, Kim Cole, Christina Clark, Sarah Maragoudakis, Jaime Barratt, Tracey Murray, Lorrey Arial Bonilla, Helene Randle, Lindsay Milligan, Pam McLean-Stubbs

**Regrets:** Candice Penny, Micki Horton

Item	Discussion	Action	Who
<b>Minute Recorder</b>	• Julie Thompson, ECCDC		
<b>1. Welcome &amp; Intros</b>			
<b>2. Correspondence</b>	• N/A		
<b>3. Minutes Approval: March 26, 2024</b>	• No changes		
<b>4. Business Arising</b>	<p><b>Emergency Preparedness</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Melissa has reached out to Constable Conroy; he has not responded yet. She will keep trying.</li> <li>• A suggestion was made to reach out to somebody in community relations, they may be able to direct Melissa to the right contact.</li> </ul> <p><b>Stats from BECE - regarding potential online job fair (Jaime Barratt)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stats were reviewed from 2023-24. Most of the students were from Halton, Burlington, and Niagara. Might be worthwhile to have an online job fair.</li> <li>• As part of their course last year, Niagara College allowed students to view the videos submitted by child care centres.</li> <li>• Brock could post videos as students work independently. They graduate in June and October at Brock, so maybe videos could be</li> </ul>		

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	<p>posted in winter or early spring. Can Brock reuse the videos that were submitted to Niagara College?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brock would probably post these in August with approval from Niagara College.</li> <li>• Lorrey offered for ECCDC to create a bulk email to send, asking for videos/PowerPoints to be submitted if this is a go.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Melissa will email Lindsay to check on how Kelly Wilcox feels about the idea. Lorrey &amp; Jaime will be copied.</li> <li>• Jaime will clarify August timeline with Sandra Della Porta</li> </ul>	
<p><b>5. New Business</b></p>	<p><b>Métis 101 Presentation with Jennifer Boston and Courtney Scott</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Métis resources were shared in a PowerPoint presentation</li> <li>• Métis Nation welcomes documentation sent by centres using the resources. They can be sent to: <a href="mailto:elccpartnerships@metisnation.org">elccpartnerships@metisnation.org</a></li> <li>• Métis Nation has posters available that describe the resources they offer with a QR code.</li> <li>• Two “Giving Tree Story Kits” and 4 Métis Cultural Education kits are available to borrow from ECCDC.</li> <li>• 2 sessions will be offered in Fall Giving Tree is September 19 and a session on the Métis education kits on October 24. Flyers are pending and will be shared when complete.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lorrey requested posters to include in the ECCDC kits and at the September and October sessions.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>6. NCCSE Goals and Objectives Discussion</b></p>	<p><b>Offer community consultations as required</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A NCCSE member suggested the committee should reach out to providers to see what they need (i.e. workforce funding/wage grids). Another member suggested tapping into meetings that already exist, like the Executive Directors and Administrators network.</li> <li>• The videos and PowerPoint were helpful, but child care operators still have questions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Add Workforce Funding/Wage Grids discussion to Executive Directors and Administrators Network meeting in June.</li> <li>• Melissa will follow up with ideas to support the child care community when new information is released.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>7. Connections to Sector</b></p>	<p><b>Facebook update (Candice)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• N/A</li> </ul> <p><b>Website stats (Lorrey)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• January-April 2024 web stats were reviewed.</li> </ul>		

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8. Round Table Updates	N/A		
9. Potential events & media opportunities	N/A		
10. Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is Tracey Murray's last meeting as she is retiring. NCCSE presented her with an e-card with well-wishes from the committee members.</li> </ul>		
11. Next meeting date(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tuesday May 28 (<b>changed to Zoom</b>), Tuesday September 24 (at ECCDC), and Tuesday November 26 (ECCDC or Zoom, depending on weather) – all meetings to start at 9:30am</li> </ul>		