

## Early Childhood Council of La Plata County Meeting Minutes February 10, 2011

**Attendance:** Tamara Volz, Jennifer Dallmann, Angela Atkinson, Barbara Dodds, Diane Zimmerer, Laura Melot, Edythe Eberhart, Charlotte Pirnat, Elizabeth VonTauffkirchen, Gaye Weiss, Lindsay Sherman, Patrick Callahan, Missy Rodey, Libby Culver, Pam Wise Romero, Heather Taylor, Kristine Kemp, Martha Johnson, Marianne Ball,

**Guest(s):**

### Meeting Outcomes:

- Partners share information on EC Council Projects & Committees
- Participants gain an awareness of the future work of the EC Council in relation to building and supporting local early childhood system infrastructures
- Participants gain a deeper understanding of statewide early childhood systems building and the implications of the local council work.

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<p style="color: red;">Introductions, Partner Agency Updates &amp; Announcements</p>	<p><b><u>Welcomes/Updates:</u></b></p> <p>The group participated in a networking activity organized by <b>Lindsay Sherman</b>.</p> <p><b>Tamara Volz</b> asked for a volunteer to organize and facilitate the networking activity at the next ECC meeting.</p> <p><b>Kristine Kemp</b> reports that despite a few glitches the CHATS system is fully implemented now.</p> <p><b>Edythe Eberhart</b> reminded everyone that if they have any comments regarding current rules and regulations, please submit those in writing to either Edythe Eberhart at <a href="mailto:Edythe.eberhart@state.co.us">Edythe.eberhart@state.co.us</a> or to Kay Mikus at <a href="mailto:kay.mikus@state.co.us">kay.mikus@state.co.us</a>.</p> <p><b>Missy Rodey</b> reports that the program “Community Access and Referral Enrollment System” (CARES) created a logo. She also reports that information for SW Connect has been collected and is almost ready to be complete.</p> <p><b>Heather Taylor</b> announced the southwest district of CAEYC Week of the Young Child (WOYC) will be the first week of April. If you are interested in helping out please contact either Heather Taylor or Barbara Dodds.</p> <p><b>Libby Culver</b> reported on the It’s About Kid- Kids Flash reports.</p> <p><b>Diane Zimmerer</b> announced that the next Touchpoints Training will be offered on April 8, 15 and 29, 2011. Please contact Diane at <a href="mailto:dianez@ecclaplata.org">dianez@ecclaplata.org</a> for registration or more</p>	<p>For information about the Early Childhood Council of La Plata County contact Tamara Volz at <a href="mailto:tamarav@ecclaplata.org">tamarav@ecclaplata.org</a> or visit our website at <a href="http://www.ecclaplata.org">www.ecclaplata.org</a></p> <p>If you are interested in volunteering for WOYC contact <b>Heather Taylor</b> at <a href="mailto:heathertaylor@mercydurango.org">heathertaylor@mercydurango.org</a> or <b>Barbara Dodds</b> at <a href="mailto:bdodds@durangoaec.org">bdodds@durangoaec.org</a>.</p> <p>If you would like to receive the weekly Kid’s Flash from the Colorado Children’s Campaign please contact <b>Libby Culver</b> at <a href="mailto:lculver@durango.k12.co.us">lculver@durango.k12.co.us</a>.</p>

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	<p>information. Deadline to register is March 22. Cost is \$35 for the 18 hour Training.</p> <p><b>Marianne Ball</b> reports that the San Juan Basin Health Department received a MORE grant to expand enrollment of CHP+ and Medicaid.</p> <p><b>Elizabeth VonTauffkirchen</b> announced that Bayfield Library will be offering the following classes/activities in March: Fun with Science, <i>Baby Signs</i> Class, Babysitter Training and Storytime.</p>	
<p>Updates on Projects, Programs and Activities</p>	<p><b><u>Collaboration Survey Results from the State Survey to EC Councils:</u></b>  <b>Tamara Volz reported</b> on the EC Councils State Survey results and the Collaboration Profile of ECC La Plata county. The Survey assesses the health and strength of collaborations within EC Councils .</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Collaboration activity was conducted to emphasize the importance of working with partners and collaboration.</li> <li>• The group decided that the <b><u>EC Council meeting in March should be canceled</u></b> due to conflicting spring break schedules.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Touchpoints Local Community Training Report:</u></b>  <b>Angela Atkinson</b> reported on an evaluation of the Touchpoints Training sin the community and the impact on participants. Contact Angela if you would like a copy of the report. The ECC will be offering the next (and ninth) local Touchpoints Training in April. <b>Lindsay Sherman</b> spoke briefly about the value of the Touchpoints Training and that it is open to all disciplines and anyone who works with young children or their families.</p> <p><b><u>Early Childhood Council Website Google Analytics Report:</u></b>  <b>Jennifer Dallmann reported</b> the Google Analytics on the following ECC Website: <a href="http://www.ecclaplata.org">www.ecclaplata.org</a>. Since January 1, 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 493 Pageviews</li> <li>• 144 Absolute Unique Visitors</li> <li>• 58.71% New Visits</li> <li>• 00:02:09 Avg. Time Spent on Site</li> </ul>	<p>For more information contact <b>Angela Atkinson</b> at <a href="mailto:aatkinson@centurytel.net">aatkinson@centurytel.net</a>.</p> <p>For more information on R &amp; R, contact <b>Jennifer Dallmann</b> at <a href="mailto:jend@ecclaplata.org">jend@ecclaplata.org</a>.</p>
<p>Other Items Identified</p>	<p><b><u>Colorado Legislation:</u></b>  <b>Tamara Volz distributed</b> information on current proposed Colorado Legislation related to Early Childhood.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Next Early Childhood Council meeting  <b><u>April 14<sup>th</sup> 2011 3:00 – 5:00pm</u></b>  <b>(Please note there will be no ECC meeting in March)</b></p>	