

MARYLAND STATE CHILD CARE ASSOCIATION

Meeting Notes for May, May 19, 2022 Virtual Board Meeting.

Meeting To Order Call to Order at 11:00 a.m.

Board Members		Chapter Representatives and Special Guest	
PresidentMarina Maier	Х	Anne Arundel County—Ruthie Claytor	Х
Executive Director Chris Peusch	Х	Baltimore City—Jenn Dorsey	
1 st Vice Pres Vacant		Baltimore County—Lisa Dickenson	
2 nd Vice Pres Jennifer Dorsey		Carroll County—Amanda Beacham	Х
Secretary Syretha Storey	Х	Carroll County—Angela Behegan	Х
Treasurer Deb Kamplain		Frederick CountyCaroline Walker	
Immediate Past President—Vacant		Harford County—Katie Young	
Business Rep—Barry Benesch		Harford County—Karen Eisenhuth	
Member-at-Large—Cathy Neville		Harford County—Mary Jack	
Member-at-Large—Kate Gentry	Х	Howard County—Randi Albertsen	Х
Member-at-Large—Audrey Pabs-Garnon	Х	PG County—Barbra Dubik	
Member at-Large —Imani Angela Rose	Х	PG County—Deborah Williams	Х
Member-at-Large Bonnie Hendershot	Х	MoCo County—Astrid Crookshank	
Member-at-Large Lavonne Taylor		Washington County—Kim Ritchey Headley	Х
President Emeritus—Charles Wainwright	Х	Washington County—April Singleton	Х
		Celebree Schools—Kristen Miller	

Minutes: Motion to approve last month's Agenda as minutes are still being prepped.

Treasurers Report: No report due to change of ownership of MSCCA's bank of record.

Committee Reports:

- **Bylaws and Nomination Committee:** Scheduled for June 16, 2022, following the regularly scheduled board meeting. The meeting is open to anyone. Notify Marina Maier, MSCCA President, for meeting details. All participants should review the most current MSCCA bylaws prior to the meeting.
- Professional Development Committee (PDC):
 - **Conference By the Sea (CBTS):** PDC worked hard to provide a successful conference. PDC is waiting for final bill from the Clarion.
 - **Leadership Symposium**: PDC has scheduled for The Leadership Symposium for October 27, 2022. Will be at the DoubleTree in Columbia.
- Legislative Committee: Legislative Committee had two additional bills were signed.

Contract Discussion:

• Tree Branch: The board engaged in a discussion about its current contract with Tree Branch. Tree Branch representatives were present for the discussion. Chris Peusch, MSCCA Executive Director, expressed concerns about miscommunication surrounding the grant, work completed, charges, and invoices due. There was a secondary issue of conference certificates not being distributed as expected. Motion to pay Tree Branch half (\$2,217.50) of the amount invoiced and ask Tree Brach to provide a more detailed invoice for review before the other half is paid (\$2,217.50). MSCCA will review pay and respond within thirty days passed



• cVent: cVent will provide a \$1200 credit on next quarter's bill for their CBTS deliverable errors. Motion to accept cVent's offer was passed.

Old Business:

- Child Care Scholarship Subsidy Audit: Asked MSDE to hold a moratorium for all subsidy scholarships for the period of March 2020 to January 2022.
- **CACFP Payments:** This has been resolved.
- **Stabilization Grants:** Chris has been working with MSDE to resolve payment issues. The next round of grants is expected in June. These will use funds left over from the last grant period in addition to the new money the Governor added.
- Pre-K Grant Data: There was a total of 93 programs applied.
 - Pre-K Grant--61 applied for the Pre-K Grant (Award: 13 LEA, 29 Centers, 2 Public Schools, 1 Private School). If the 29 Centers do not have a certified teacher by July 1^{st,} the grant will be denied.
 - State Grant--32 programs applied. Only nine applications passed for the state grant. Only 4 were awarded the grant.
 - There will be some technical assistance for programs that were denied.
- <u>Senator Mary Washington</u> and <u>Delegate Brian Feldman</u>. Discussions about alternative pathways.

Membership: We have now reached last year's membership levels

ECACS:

- <u>Baltimore City</u>: New website developed
- <u>Prince George's County</u>: Awarded grant. Grant funds will be used to support professional development, advocacy, meeting, high school student background check,
- <u>Carroll County:</u> Held an organizing meeting
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