

Early Learning Board (ELB)

Thursday, September 14, 2017

1:30 am – 4:00 pm

The public may attend the meeting in any of the locations specified below:

Main Site: KCAA/CEED

2707 So. King Street, Honolulu

Meeting Chair will preside at CEED location.

Board Members in Attendance:

Dayna Luka (for Pankaj Bhanot), Kaina Bonacorsi, Al Castle, Mike Fahey, Keiko Nitta (for Virginia Pressler), Namaka Rawlins, Jin Chang, Joanne Taira (for David Lassner), Waialeale Sarsona (for Jack Wong), Bob Peters, Edel Baguio-Larena, Mari Uehara, Ann Tom

Absent: Dan Miyamoto (for Christina Kishimoto)

Executive Office on Early Learning staff in attendance: Lauren Moriguchi, Chris Jackson

Public in Attendance:

Ann Horiuchi (AG's office), Christina Cox, Deanne Goya, Kerrie Urosevich, Kim Guieb, Loreen Okamura, Vivian Eto, Ben Naki, Melissa Pavlicek, Leslie Mullens (facilitator)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action
MINUTES:		
Welcome/Introductions— Bob Peters	Bob welcomed ELB members and guests, and asked Christina to introduce her new CEED Administrative Assistant, Lorraine who will be able to assist with ELB meetings set up from now on. Bob also acknowledged Al Castle for all of his contributions to the ELAB over the years and to the early childhood system in the State in his role as philanthropist and advocate. Today's meeting will be Al's last as a member of this body.	

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<p>Review and Approve August 10 minutes—Bob Peters</p>	<p>The minutes of the August 10, 2017 meeting were approved as presented. Bob thanked Kim Guieb for being the note-taker as Chris Jackson could not be present for the last meeting.</p>	
<p>EOEL Updates – Lauren Moriguchi</p>	<p>Lauren provided updates on staffing, her work with the Hawaii Teachers Standards Board (HTSB) and her supplemental budget request, Pre-K program expansion, and the Hawaii schedule in October for Ruby Takenishi and Bette Hyde.</p> <p><u>Staffing:</u> EOEL Secretary, Lisa Teruya, started on 8.15.17; Wimmie Lui Wong, Government Affairs Specialist will begin on 9.18. There is currently ongoing recruitment for the Research Statistician position – one applicant has been interviewed and 4 more interviews are being scheduled for this month. The Program Specialist position is still being established.</p> <p><u>HSTB:</u> The board passed a policy on 9.8.17 that requires the completion of 36 hours of early childhood coursework in order to obtain an add-a-field component to a teacher license. Teachers used to only need to take the praxis. This new requirement will be included in the EOEL Administrative Rules that only licensed teachers with the required ECE coursework will be eligible to teach in the EOEL Pre-K classrooms.</p> <p><u>Supplemental Budget Request:</u> (handout provided)</p> <p>An Office Assistant position to provide clerical support to both the EOEL and the ELB is being requested; Bob will help Lauren in creating a position description.</p> <p>Data Processing User Support Technician – this position provides tech support to the office and was created with cost savings from last year; requesting a full-time position in the supplemental budget.</p> <p>Travel for ELB members: Funds for travel to monthly ELB meetings, as well as to sub-committee meetings on Oahu for Neighbor Island</p>	

	<p>members is being requested.</p> <p>Phone Lines: additional phone lines will need to be installed as the Office adds more staff members.</p> <p>An online platform for staff professional development and communication is being requested to support the Resource Teachers in their work.</p> <p>Supplies and printing for ELB: Funds are being requested to support the obligations of the Board to do its work, including funds for supplies and printing costs.</p> <p><u>Pre-K Program:</u> Lauren reported that she will not be asking for an additional 5 new classrooms in the second half of this biennium. Statute now requires an induction program for a year prior to the start up of new EOEL Pre-K classrooms. The Induction program for Cohort B school teams has begun for the 5 new classrooms starting up in the 2017-2018 school year. 10 new classrooms will be requested in the new biennium.</p> <p><u>Ruby Takenishi and Bette Hyde to Hawaii:</u> Thanks to the generosity of the Samuel N. and Mary Castle Foundation, Ruby and Bette will be coming to Hawaii during the week of October 23 and will be participating in a number of activities.</p> <p>Oct. 24: Ruby and Bette will present at the Early Learning Academy “the Importance of Leadership in Supporting Quality Early Childhood Education”.</p> <p>Oct. 25: Presentation at the Pacific Club in the morning on “Investment in Early Learning” and a discussion of what other states are doing.</p> <p>Oct. 26: Ruby will be presenting at a “Schools of the Future” conference.</p> <p>Oct. 27: activity pending</p>	
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Action Strategy Update— Kerrie Urosevich	<p>Kerrie provided a brief update on Action Strategy work:</p> <p>Action Strategy has been asked by several organizations to post job openings and training opportunities in the AS monthly newsletter. Members were encouraged to use AS as a venue to share information to the larger community.</p> <p>The AS All Teams meeting is scheduled for October 18th from 8:30 to 12:30. Teams will be reporting out on their work, and SMALLIFY “small bets” projects will be wrapping up with the possibility of identifying the next set of “small bets” projects. Eleven SMALLIFY teams have been working on projects. There will be an opportunity for folks to become SMALLIFY trainers in the future.</p> <p>Indicator Dashboard- Kerrie requested that Doug Imig attend the next ELB meeting to report out on the AS dashboard that he has been working on that identifies indicators and measures to assess outcome of work being done in AS teams.</p> <p>Frameworks Institute - technical support will be received from this national organization that helps to frame challenges for policy development. Support will be provided for AS Team 2’s work.</p> <p>The Right Question Institute will be providing training to the DOE and others on how to ask the right questions to help both providers and families better engage. AS is requesting a half-day session for AS teams. The Institute trained 100 DOE staff recently in Hawaii.</p>	Bob to invite Doug Imig (via Kerrie) to the next ELB meeting.
Member Updates— Bob Peters	Dana (DHS) reported that they are working on amendments to increase subsidy rate reimbursements for group child care and FCC providers based on a 2016 market rate study. A public notice will be posted in the	

	<p>newspaper soon and a public hearing will be convened.</p> <p>Al shared that the opportunity to increase professional development for the early childhood system is something that will always be supported by Castle Foundation. Bob, as trustee and Board President, will help to ensure this even though Al will no longer be serving as an ELB member. For example, the Erikson Institute will be starting a cohort for math and for early literacy in January and March 2018 at CEED. Castle Foundation has also made a major commitment to increase scholarships at both the UH system and at Chaminade. Currently working with the community colleges to support aides wanting to earn their CDAs or degrees. Al also referenced the recent Civil Beat article and the author's interview on Hawaii Public Radio. Bob and Al are looking at how to promote advocacy around ECE to support Civil Beat's coverage and research as they write articles, in the hopes that this will increase public awareness to support future legislative efforts.</p>	
Public Comment—Bob Peters	None	
Facilitated Discussion – Bob Peters & Leslie Mullens	Bob introduced Leslie Mullens, president and CEO of PlayBook Consulting Group, a Maui-based management consulting firm focused on statewide strategic planning and organizational effectiveness, who was contracted to lead the ELB in a series of sessions around its new governing role and future direction of the Board. Leslie proceeded to take the Board through an activity to help define its functions,, activities, and deliverables. See Leslie's notes for details.	
Review Agenda Outcomes—Bob Peters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep in mind that job openings can be posted in AS newsletter • 10.18.17 All Teams meeting • Invite Doug Imig to next ELB meeting to share about AS Indicator Dashboard • Be on the lookout for a survey (based on today's activities) and respond • Review the statute that created the ELB to better understand the 	

	parameters of the work of the ELB	
Announcements	None	
Executive Session	N/A	
Closing —Mike Fahey	“The more you praise and celebrate your life, the more there is to celebrate”. (Oprah Winfrey)	

Submitted by: Chris Jackson