



EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 1, 2020 | 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Teleconference

Commissioners present:

Kellie Campbell

Commissioners abset:

Nancy Brooks

Marcia Merrill

Advisors present:

Jen Horowitz of Let's Grow Kids

Staff present:

Hannah Lane

Presiding:

Kellie Campbell

Recording: Hannah Lane

Meeting called to order 9:00 a.m.

1. Review listening project recommendations and discuss with group

Let's Grow Kids has been working on child care for essential workers, resources, etc.

The State has started to recognize how critical child care is for essential workers and to our economy.

Jen suggested that we look at the new LGK Stalled at the Start report as well as Access, about VT's childcare Shortage, for data that backs up the qualitative data we collected.

Regarding our recommendations, LGK issues an annual legislative agenda that includes number of recommendations. Their work is based on Building Vermont's Future from the Child Up, and Building Bright Futures. They have a lot of very specific, concrete recommendations, including investing in childcare infrastructure.

It would be interesting to look at the information by county, and considering geographic differences.

The stories we were able to capture are powerful, weaving this together with the data is powerful.

In advance of our meeting next week, can you reflect on how can we be most helpful during this time? What questions do you have about the impact of COVID-19 on women and families?

Meeting Adjourned at 9:31 a.m.