

Early Care and Education Association

Meeting Date: 3/8/2022

Meeting Time: 5:00pm

Members Present: Amy Brooks, Tanika Beauchemin, Katie Jenks, Faith Dubois, Sunnie McPhertes, Jenn Hosmer, Jenn Parker, Vicky Fogg, Kristen Meeks, Janet Bauer, Lisa Pike, Kim Toland

Topic	Discussion/Decision
<p>Welcome and updates</p> <p>*PSA- joining a board is an excellent way to build professional skills and contribute volunteer hours back to the ECEA! Contact Amy for more info!</p>	<p>Don't FORGET!</p> <p>NH- Assoc Teacher rule change- 1,000 hours supervised experience & 30 hours training, enrollment based billing pilot, background checks</p> <p>VT- Tests for Tots https://dcf.vermont.gov/cdd/covid-19/tests-for-tots</p> <p>Expedited Variance for ratios and staff credentials, Workforce efforts (loan repayment *MAY? And scholarships)</p> <p>Board Elections are coming up! Contact Amy if you are interested in being on the ECEA Board of Directors</p>
<p>Guide to support child care staff with ARPA funding</p>	<p>If you are struggling with ARPA contact Bev bevwidger@hrxperienced.com FREE consultation time is available</p>

<p>UV Child Care Symposium and need for support for challenging behaviors and quality staff training in trauma/behavior</p>	<p>NH and VT Reps are back in session. Work Force Bill Licensing regs bill Mandating bill NH tracking-check out New Futures</p>
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<p>UV Child Care Symposium and need for support for challenging behaviors and quality staff training in trauma/behavior</p>	<p>Great success.3 work groups. If you have an interest in participating, email Amy. They meet 2 times a month for an hour. 40+ people have signed up! There is a tab on the Vital Communities site with info.</p>
<p>Update from the STAFF R3 committee and Wellness Challenge launch</p>	<p>Still have slots available..staff only..non advisory Wellness Challenge launched-sign up soon, sending out materials in next week or so</p>
<p>Updates on Recruitment</p>	<p>ECEA is working on 2 staff training pilots. An On the Job Training program and a Step up 2 CDA program. Check out the NHES Work Programs doc for NH centers and NH residents working in VT WIOA is available in NH and VT</p>
<p>Wrap Up</p>	<p>Meeting change to 5pm See you next month on April 12, 2022 at 5PM</p>