



STATE OF GEORGIA
Children's Cabinet

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October 17, 2022

Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning:

Oak Conference Room, 8th Floor, East Tower, Sloppy Floyd Building

8 AM to 9:45 AM

MEETING SUMMARY

Executive Cabinet Members: Amy Jacobs, Department of Early Care and Learning; Joy Hawkins, Governor's Office of Student Achievement; Caylee Noggle, Department of Community Health; Greg Dozier, Technical College System of Georgia; Jay Neal, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council; Kathleen Toomey, Department of Public Health; Jerry Bruce, Office of the Child Advocate; Tyrone Oliver, Department of Juvenile Justice; Miranda Bradford, Education and Teacher Pipeline Policy Advisor; Mindy Binderman, Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students, Michelle Smith Lank, Kids World Learning Center; Allison Setterlind, Georgia Head Start Collaboration Office; Rick Ward, American Academy of Pediatrics – Georgia Chapter; Juanita Yancey, Georgia Head Start Association; Katie Dempsey, House of Representatives

Department of Early Care and Learning Staff: Liz Young, Quandra Obi, Jerry Brown, Laura Lucas and Dr. Christi Moore

Carl Vinson Institute of Government Staff: David Tanner

Guests: Dr. Jack Shonkoff, Harvard University Center on the Developing Child and Dr. Georgiana Peacock, CDC Immunization Services Division

Public Guests:

No public guests attended the meeting.

Call to Order

At 8:15 am, Commissioner and Co-Chair Amy Jacobs from the Department of Early Care and Learning called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Jacobs asked for a motion to accept the day's agenda. Dr. Kathleen Toomey, Commissioner of the Department of Public Health made the motion to accept, and Jerry Bruce, Director of the Office of the Child Advocate seconded. The Cabinet accepted the agenda unanimously.

Guest Speaker Introduction

Mindy Binderman, Executive Director of the Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students introduced the guest speaker for the morning, Dr. Jack Shonkoff with the Harvard University Center on the Developing Child. Dr. Shonkoff presented on the science of early childhood development and the impact of trauma on children.

Following this presentation, there was a question and answer session and a discussion of the early childhood education system.

Public Comment Period

No public guests attended the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Caylee Noggle, Commissioner of DCH, made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jay Neal, Executive Director of the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Jacobs at 9:45 am.