



Full Children's Cabinet
July 11, 2023
Governor's Mansion
8am-10:00am

MEETING SUMMARY

Attendees

Co-Chair: Amy M. Jacobs, Commissioner, Department of Early Care and Learning
Mindy Binderman, Georgia Early Education Alliance for Ready Students
Jerry Bruce, Georgia Office of the Child Advocate
Melissa Carter, Barton Child Law and Policy Center
Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb, Georgia Department of Juvenile Justice
Caitlin Dooley, Voices for Georgia's Children
Greg Dozier, Technical College System of Georgia
Michelle Smith Lank, Kids World Learning Center
Milton Little, Jr., United Way of Greater Atlanta
Jay Neal, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council
Allison Setterlind, Georgia Head Start Collaboration Office
Kathleen E. Toomey, Georgia Department of Health
Richard Ward, Academy of Pediatrics, Georgia Chapter

Additional Staff

Alice Aka, Governor's Office of Student Achievement
Megan Andrews, Department of Public Health
Peter Baker, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities
Jerry Brown, Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
Diane Durrance, Department of Public Health
Alvin Glymph, United Way of Greater Atlanta
Melinda Moore, UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government
Quandra Obi, Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
Rossany Rios, Technical College System of Georgia
Amy Roys, Department of Early Care and Learning
Cathy Curry-Smith, Department of Juvenile Justice
David Tanner, UGA Carl Vinson Institute of Government

Public Guests:

No public guests attended the meeting.

Call to Order

At 8:00 am, Co-chair Amy M. Jacobs, Commissioner, Department of Early Care and Learning, called the meeting to order and reviewed the agenda for the day.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Jacobs asked for a motion to accept the day's agenda. Greg Dozier, Technical College System of Georgia, made the motion to accept. Shawanda Reynolds-Cobb, Department of Juvenile Justice, seconded. The Cabinet accepted the agenda unanimously.

Agency Updates

Each agency representative provided a brief update of their current work.

Special topic discussion: 2Gen Academy

Melinda Moore, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, facilitated an update on the Georgia 2Gen Academy. Rossany Rios, Technical College System of Georgia, Amy Roys, Department of Early Care and Learning, Cathy Curry-Smith, Department of Juvenile Justice, and Peter Baker, Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Disabilities, members of the inaugural cohort provided feedback on their experiences in the Academy. David Tanner, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, provided a walk-through of the Family Voice Toolkit that was developed as a capstone project in the Academy.

Special topic discussion: Child Well-Being Index

Milton J. Little, Jr, President and CEO of United Way of Greater Atlanta introduced an update to the Child Well-Being Index.

Special topic discussion: Home Visiting Strategy

Dr. Kathleen Toomey, Department of Public Health, gave an update on the home visiting pilot, including strategies, partners, and resources for home visiting staff.

Facilitated Discussion: Resource Portals for Parents

David Tanner, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, facilitated a conversation on available resource portals for parents, including preferred portals and better ways to communicate about the programs and resources available.

Public Comment Period

No public guests attended the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

The meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Jacobs at 10:00am.