



Mid-Columbia Children's Council Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
July 7, 2026

Board and Staff Present	Misty Ferres-Early Childhood Education Services Director, Ronda Hull-Interim Executive Director, Schlee Pulido-Education & Disabilities Manager, Joe Schmier-HR Director, Vicky Waterbury-Board member, Lindsey Smith-Board Member, Karen Porter-Family Services/ERSEA Manager		
Board and Staff Absent	Jennifer Bouman-Steagall-Lawyer		
Leadership	Chair: Rich Polkinghorn Vice-Chair: Jennifer Bomberger	Secretary: Chelsea Ruder Treasurer: Daniel Blevins	
Guests:			
Minutes by:	Lindsay Borg		

	Topic	Discussion	Action
I.	Call to order	5:31pm	By: Rich Polkinghorn
II.	Agenda	No changes to the Agenda	Motion to adopt Agenda: Chelsea Ruder Seconded: Lindsey Smith All Board of Directors Unanimously approved.
III.	Introductions		
IV.	Updates and Public Comments	None	None
V.	Senior Leadership Report/Informational	a. June 2026 Personnel Report	a. 22% Classroom staff turnover rate, 30% turnover rate for everybody else. 30 vacancies, 14 people waiting for clearance to start. 3 people starting this week and 2 people who started last week.

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VI.	Consent Items	a. Meeting Minutes-June 6, 2026 b. April 2026 Financials c. April 2026 Visa	Motioned to approve Consent Agenda: Jennifer Bomberger Seconded: Chelsea Ruder All Board Directors Unanimously approved.
VII.	Old Business		
VIII.	New Business	Discussion Items: 1. Change of Scope 2. Complex Needs Grant Awarded 3. Attendance/Voting over the summer Action Items: 1. Family Engagement Policy 2. School Readiness Goals 3. 24-25 Annual Report	Discussion Items: 1. Stop persistent deficiency and Non-compliance, safe/high quality care must be priority, Change of Scope is necessary and coming. 2. Granted 30,000, Each component to submit what their teams would like to use the grant money for. 3. Documents will be uploaded in drop box, approvals will be done via email. Action Items: 1. Added a purpose and strengthened the language around shared decision making with parents. Motion to Adopt Family Engagement Policy Change Motion to approve : Lindsey Smith Seconded: Daniel Blevins All Board Directors Unanimously approved. 2. School Readiness goals along with some insight.

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			Motion to Adopt School Readiness Goals Motion to approve: Chelsea Ruder Seconded: Lindsey Smith All Board Directors Unanimously approved. 3. Annual Report Motion to approve 24-25 Annual Report Motion to approve: Jennifer Bomberger Seconded: Chelsea Ruder All Board of Directors Unanimously approved.
IX.	Open Agenda		
X.	Adjourn	Meeting adjourned at: 6:10pm	Motion to Adjourn: Chelsea Ruder Seconded: Vicki Waterbury All Board Directors Unanimously approved.

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