

Texas Early Learning Council Early Childhood Data Roadmap Work Group Meeting Minutes

September 20, 2022 from 3:30pm – 5:00pm

Teleconference via Zoom

Attendance

- Sarah Abrahams (Deputy Chief Officer of Prevention and Early Intervention, Texas Department of Family and Protective Services)
- April Crawford Ph.D. (Co-Director of the Children's Learning Institute, UT Health Science Center at Houston)
- Travis Duke (Associate Director, Early Childhood Intervention, Texas Health and Human Services Commission)
- Kim Kofron (Director of Early Childhood Education, Children at Risk)
- Allison Wilson (Director of Child Care Policy & Quality Initiatives, Texas Workforce Commission)

1. Call to Order

Sarah Abrahams called the meeting to order at 3:34 PM.

2. August 2022 Minutes Approval

A roll-call vote was taken and the August 2022 minutes were approved. A quorum was met during roll call.

3. Stakeholder Engagement Update

Sarah Abrahams shared the current response rate and preliminary analyses from the stakeholder survey and explained that more detailed analyses will be presented at the next meeting.

Sarah Abrahams provided an overview of the eight focus groups that were conducted since the previous meeting. The group provided highlights and themes that emerged from the focus groups.

The group discussed these preliminary themes and provided suggestions and strategies for developing recommendations in the roadmap.

4. Roadmap Draft Update

Sarah Abrahams reminded the group of the draft roadmap contents and which sections stakeholder feedback will inform.

The group reviewed a draft of the roadmap, focusing on current and prior early childhood data initiatives, data governance, statutory requirements, and budget supports. The group provided suggested edits and additions.

5. Public Comment

No requests for public comment were submitted.

6. Next Steps and Upcoming Meeting Schedule

Sarah Abrahams and Megan Schneider gave a brief update on the [Preschool Development Grant Birth to Five Renewal Grant](#). Sarah Abrahams outlined the next steps for the remaining Data Roadmap Work Group meetings. The next meeting and subsequent monthly meetings will be posted to the [Texas Early Learning Council website](#). Chelsea Moore updated the group on an [early childhood data landscape donation](#) from the Bill & Melinda Gate Foundation. More information on this project will be shared at the October meeting.

7. Adjourn

Sarah Abrahams adjourned the meeting at 4:40 PM.