Watertown-Mayer Early Childhood Advisory Council
Agenda
September 14, 2026 6:00pm-7:30pm

1. Call to Order - Brittany G.

2. Secretary's Report - Elissa

3. Treasurer's Report - Karla D.
    - Balance-$14,971.44
    - Paid this month:Vehicle Fair Good Bags-$112.26; StoryBook Trail Books-$94.00

4. Public Relations Report - Alycia K.
    - Katie Approval for Facebook and Public Relations
    - District is trying to streamline Pages for Groups that have multiple pages

5. ECFE/Young Royals Report - Katie P.
    - Teacher Changes-Hired Karilyn; Chelsea K. is taking over Katie's classes; Chelsey F. doing morning classes; Katie and Aimee S. doing PM classes
    - Susan S. New ECFE student side; Aimee S. still parent educator
    - ECFE begins next week-needed to push back 1 week
    - Door 2 is CLOSED-All Parents come in Door 4
    - SPED vans do drop off at Door 2
    - Courtyard construction-turf is in; temp fencing went in today, eventually permanent fencing will go in
    - 3 year enrollment-boost in the 3 year old enrollment-spots still available

6. Old Business
    a. **United Way Grant** - Nicole originally sent, Brittany re-sent request more tailored to what they are focusing on this year "*We encourage you to consider resubmitting a proposal that reflects the strengths of your existing programming, particularly efforts like Coffee Connection and other parent-child engagement opportunities that build community, reduce isolation, and support early childhood development*"
        - Have not heard back from them yet-will follow up again - $1200.00

7. Public Relations
    a. Make a post about how we support ECFE & Young Royals- include dates of fall meetings- add email to comment section or send PM to join our email list!
        - Open House/Meet and Greet-A magnet at the beginning of the year to put on the fridge with all of the dates
    b. Add Council Meeting events on facebook
        - Katie P. will Do-Alycia get Katie Log ins
    c. Mabel's labels post for school year
        - Push now/end of school year for summer, Black Label, around Christmas time

d. Teacher meet & greets - (Karla to volunteer to have a table set up with WMECAC resources. Karla to follow up with Katie on specific dates/times)**Did Karla make any connections? Do we want to do this again next year?**
    - Try again for next year
e. Open House & Vehicle Fair post/event to start sharing
    - Push out for SeeSaw
    - Some of the Classrooms will be open-ECFE will have a little activity to do
f. Storybook Trail post/event to start sharing
    - Share after the Vehicle Fair/Open House
    - Katie P can be there

8. ECFE Open House & Vehicle Fair (Thursday, September 17th 6-7:30 PM)
    a. What vehicles have we secured?
        - Vehicles coming: 13 vehicles secured; Kaylin Nelson - car seat specialist to help with car seats if people want
    b. Make your own goodie bags, tattoos, info sheet
        - Ordered things for the goody bags-small transportation coloring books, fruit snacks, stickers, Crayons, etc.
        - Put out the donation Jar
    c. Who can help with bags and who plans to be there?
        - Karla will bring a table from home

9. Storybook Trail in the Woods (Sunday, September 27 at 4-5pm)
    a. Signs - Already created
        - Signs are done; They are in the Beautiful Room - look for the arrow signs

    b. Map of where the event is located
        - Do a walk through the woods to make sure that trail is clear
        - Sandwich Board sign for where to go

    c. Barnyard Dance 15-20 Books
        - Books are ordered-20 (Karla has them)

10. Fall Harvest Party - Saturday October 24, 2026 9:30am-11am
    - Linnea Floan/Melissa B. - help set up/execute
    - Photo Op
    - Classroom Things set up-little pumpkins, stickers for activities
    - Finalize plans at the October meeting
11. The Jolly Pops Winter Concert - Saturday January 23, 2027 10-11am
    - Karla to confirm the Mayer Community Center

12. DQ Art Nights - **Nicole offered to be DQ Art Night Coordinator, THANK YOU!**
    a. 10/5 - Community Project (Pumpkin theme)
        - What would be easier-pack to do your own at home, or have things set up for them to take
        - Karla will make a packet to put together for families to grab - Will just put out and they can pick and any CLC family can grab it.
    b. 10/26 - YR 3 Year Old Classes
    c. 11/17 - YR 4&5 Year Old Classes
    d. 1/11 (WMECAC Meeting Night- start at 6:30) - YR 3 Year Old Classes
    e. 2/2 - ECFE & Baby Classes

f. 3/2 - YR 4&5 Year Old Classes
g. Email teachers the info and their date(s)
h. Make Sign Up Genius *Draft completed
i. Facebook events
j. Tag Delano DQ in posts

13. Elephant Joes Coffee Sales Fundraiser
    - Karla will get the dates and reach out to Elephant Joes to coordinate - October - Bag coffee and gift card sales to have back in time for Christmas
    - Will need help when it comes in to help sort

14. Mayer Baseball - Meat Raffle
    - Ask Staff to help Out
    - They have given $2000 in the past
    - 2-3 hours

    b. November 21st, 2026-
    c. February 6th, 2027-
    d. Sign up below to volunteer!

15. Brainstorm ideas on getting more people involved in WEMCAC
    - Flier-looks great
    - Ask teachers if they have families that want to get involved and if we would be able to reach out as a Council
    - Parent volunteer/support person to help out with the Fall Harvest Party (1 time volunteer opportunity)
    - Sign Up Genius for the Teacher Appreciation

16. 26-27 WMECAC Meeting Dates
    a. September 14th 6-7:30pm
    b. October 12th 6-7:30pm
    c. November 9th 6-7:30pm
    d. December - NO MEETING
    e. January 11th, 2026 - Start @ 6:30-8pm (DQ Art Night)
    f. February 8th 6-7:30pm
    g. March 8th 6-7:30pm
    h. April 12th 6-7:30pm
    i. May 10th 6-7:30pm

17. Community Ed Advisory Council Meetings 6PM - Room 302 @ CLC
    a. September 15, 2026-Brittany
    b. December 15, 2026-Megan P.
    c. March 16, 2027-Megan P.
    d. June 15, 2027-Megan P.
        - Broaden out the Community Education Advisory Council
        - Appoint one of the members for the year-possibly have voting rights?
        - Is childcare offered?
        - Have a person from the Watertown City Council, possibly have someone from Mayer City Council also.
18. Teddy Bear Band for July 14, 2027 @ Mayer Community Center
    a. More Snacks
    b. Karla Confirm

Message from Tim: Your request actually fits very well with one of our Advisory Council priorities this year—to broaden membership and strengthen community representation. As part of that effort, we would like to include a WMECAC/Early Childhood Advisory representative as a voting member of the Community Education Advisory Council.

Our thought is that WMECAC would select the representative, and we would add that individual to the Advisory Council. This would give WMECAC an ongoing voice at the table and help ensure the early childhood perspective is consistently represented in our discussions and planning.

Would WMECAC be open to this type of representation? If so, we would be happy to move forward with adding a representative to the Council.