

Committee Members Present: Linda Goodman, Wendy Whipple, Terry Harrison, Karen Walker, Mary Ann Discenza, Andy Gomm, Suzan Albright

Committee Members Absent: Chase Bolds, Molly Bright, Debbie Cheatham, Kim Wedel, Brad Hutton, Peggy Miksch, Tiffany Smith-Birk, Pam Roush, Rosanne Grif-Cabelli

Staff Members Present: Sharon Walsh, Maureen Greer

Topic	Discussion	Action Steps	Need for Board Action
Regulations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sharon shared that Alexa Posny has indicated the regulations will not be ready for the August Mega Meeting but remain a priority for her office.</li> </ul>		
Mega Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Committee discussed the agenda that has been released and who was invited each day. Members expressed a concern about the cost for each segment of the meeting and the uncertainty of whether there will be an alternative program for others who attend on Monday but are not invited to the early Childhood Summit on Tuesday.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maureen will prepare a draft agenda for use of members to make travel requests.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The committee requests that Brad ask Becca for a letter that can be used to encourage states to allow Part C staff to attend the conference.</li> </ul>
Listening Tour	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The committee discussed the series of forums that HHS and DOE are sponsoring related to the joint early childhood initiative. The members suggested that information regarding the listening tour be sent to members, ITCA should send one letter including comments on all 4 topics. Suggested concepts include:</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An email will be sent to members asking them to comment on the topics and to send the information to their ICCs and suggest they comment as well.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The committee has requested that the Board submit a letter commenting on all four topics</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ funding issues including adequate funding for Part C, funding for the B to 5 initiative and importance of ensuring supports and services for children with disabilities and their family's if child is to succeed in early learning settings;</li> <li>○ inclusive community settings;</li> <li>○ shortages of personnel;</li> <li>○ competition with other agencies of can't pay competitive salary;</li> <li>○ use of any relevant survey data;</li> <li>○ family purposes and role in Part C;</li> <li>○ discussion of C-4 data;</li> <li>○ discussion of state standards and need to ensure inclusion of all children;</li> <li>○ C-3 outcomes data and inclusion in state assessment plans;</li> <li>○ importance of authentic and ongoing assessment.</li> </ul>		
Medicaid ARRA Funding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Sharon provided an update on the status of legislation extending the expanded Medicaid assistance to states.</li> </ul>		
Health Care Reform	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The committee raised the issue of the impact of Health Care Reform on states insurance legislation. Maureen indicated that the Finance Committee was interested in sponsoring a call to begin to identify the questions that states have in regard to this issue.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Once questions have been identified, Sharon and Maureen will work with other organizations to identify answers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Board to approve a call to members regarding this issue.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Board to consider using the Saturday workshop</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

			time to look at several finance issues.
Next Call	May 24, 2010 at 3:30 Eastern	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identify a time for a joint call with the Finance Committee and Legislative Committee to address draft MOE language for reauthorization.</li> </ul>	