

## Indiana Licensed Child Care Center Director's Advisory Board

July 15, 2021

### Minutes/Notes

The Secretary was not able to be with us at the July meeting. Most of the Licensing Consultants and OECOSL staff could not be in attendance due to a conflict with another meeting. These are notes from the July meeting.

Several Early Childhood Partners gave updates including **SPARK** Learning Lab and INAEYC/TEACH. The OECOSL presented an overview of all the new and exciting things happening in child care including 20% increase in CCDF payments, eliminating the CCDF parent copay temporarily, additional reimbursement from the CACFP program, continuation of closure grants, and \$400 stipend for new employees to cover the cost of background checks, etc.

Lori Buxton, Executive Director for the Association of Early Learning Leaders (AELL), joined the group from Texas to give an overview of all the exciting ways the organization supports early childhood programs and especially owners and directors. She also discussed the ILEAD conference in November that will include a Saturday track for teachers.

Next scheduled meeting is October 21, 2021

Notes by Carol Johnson, Chairperson