



Southern Nevada Chapter of NevAEYC Chapter Meeting

Date: Monday July 10, 2023

Location: Las Vegas Urban League – Training Room
2470 N. Decatur, Suite 150, Las Vegas, NV 89108

Host: Mary B. (Celebrations Committee)

Join Zoom Meeting:

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Committee Chairs/Admin Committee	Team Members	Guests/New Members
Jennifer Butler - LVUL Admin Chair (Chapter)/So. Chapter Rep (State)	Susan Taylor	Kathryn Walker – FFN Provider
Mary Regan Finance Chair, LVUL	Laura Brown	Debbie Mendelson Adelson Campus
Mary Beutel Celebration Committee Member, CSN	Deetra Stewart	Jerek Hough Source Academy
Amanda Harding Professional Development Chair, Ch. Cabinet	Gloria Phillips	Jan Martinez Good Samaritan Christian Acad.
Kelly May Membership Committee	Jennifer Davis	Sami Hour Children’s Cabinet
Julie Houchins Public Policy Chair, UWSN	Briana A.	Robin Gaynes NV Ready PreK/CSN
Glenda Billingsley Community Events Chair, NLV Library Dist.	Minerva Perez Children’s Cabinet	Dawn Chase CSN
Danielle Holmes VP of Membership (State), Ch. Cabinet	Kara Wasiak NV Child Care Services Center	Cassandra Hall
	Denise Sidney	Rebecca Rogers
		Sarah McKoy FFN Provider
		Laura Sullivan – Mtn View Lutheran Preschool
		Rhayvin Glenn

1. **Networking and Nibbles** – 5:30-6:00 PM

Thank you Mary B. and Celebrations Committee for the nibbles!

Members who attend in person will be entered in a raffle after each meeting.

2. **Roll Call** – Welcome & Introductions

Attendees in yellow in Table A

3. **Committee Reports**

a. **Admin Update**

- i. Reminder to submit event summary after any So. Chapter events for reporting to State Board
 - Need summary for mini conference from June if not submitted to John already.
- ii. Please update your contact details if needed so we can keep you updated on Chapter activities.
 - Can membership committee provide updated list of members for south to create invitation for future meetings?

b. **Finance Committee update**

No financial report yet for FY 24. We did have great attendance at the June Conference and 35 new members from the conference. CSN donated space and food. We may have made about \$1000. Did receive very positive feedback on the event.

Action Item: Mary needs all the Committee Chairs to submit their committee budgets ASAP so the FY24 budget for the So. Chapter can be sent to John.

c. **Celebration Committee update**

Committee met at the Sunshine and Tailwinds Café to plan the ECE Awards Banquet. We had 5 members attend the meeting- Kara Wasiak, Minerva Perez, Dawn Chase, Denise Sidney, and Mary Beutel. This is the first time we've done this event since 2019 (pre-COVID-19).

We have secured the ball room at CSN Charleston campus, the date of the banquet will be Saturday October 14, 2023. Time TBD.

We discussed doing a meeting and tasting with two recommended caterers, either Friday August 18th or Saturday August 19th to choose the menu.

Denise's niece Divine has offered to help us with the table centerpieces and flowers.

Mary will contact the balloon lady regarding a balloon arch for the entry way.

Dawn will take the lead for obtaining raffle prizes, with the rest of the committee also assists Dawn.

We will be honoring two people for their contribution to the field of Early Childhood.

Missing committee members. Deetra, Gloria

We have added three new members to our committee: Dawn Chase from CSN, Amy Robinson from CSN and Robin Gaines from CSN.

d. **Professional Development Committee update**

Debbie Mendelson, Samantha Hour and Meghan McQuillan are new members on this committee. It's great having more support so we can do more training for providers. The Committee does have some dates planned for training during the year (TBD dates, times, locations); more info will be shared at future meetings. If you want to join the committee, you are welcome!

PD Committee members do not have to be a NV Registry trainer. But if you are NV Registry approved, and do want to do training, the Committee welcomes additional trainers to offer varied training for providers. Reach out to Amanda Harding for more information.

Mini Conf. was successful. Survey monkey went out for feedback to help improve for next time. Will share results of survey at future meetings.

e. Membership Committee update

Angela stepped down as chair. Danielle provided update. Danielle receives monthly email of new and renew members and sends welcome emails. So, NV chair for membership will receive all local member contacts so they can be added to future events. Looking for a new chair if interested in working with membership, if do want to support this committee reach out to Mary and Danielle. Fun committee help connect new members and keep people engaged. Have done fun give aways in past to members.

f. Public Policy Committee update

1. 82nd Legislative Session

- SB 102 Kindergarten Enrollment date Passed.
 - i. Children must be 5yrs old by August 1st to enroll in kindergarten effective for the 2023-24 school year.
 - ii. This is the only year a child who turns 5 after August 1st and attended a PreK program will be grandfathered in to enroll.

2. **PDG B-5 Renewal Grant** – Awarded \$30M for 3yr plan to begin implementation May 2023
This grant will allow Nevada to coordinate efforts to improve our ECCE System. The Office of Early Learning and Development submitted the application after receiving input from other state agencies, partners, and community members. After a thorough review of needs, this grant will allow OELD and partners to expand or implement new programs.

Funding is provided jointly by the Federal Department of Health and Human Services and the Department of Education.

3. NV Early Childhood Advisory Council

- **Nevada ECAC:** The next ECAC meeting will be held on July 19th at 9:00am, with in person at the new Child Care Services Center (CCSC) – 1771 E. Flamingo Rd. Ste. 200 Las Vegas, NV 89119; Virtual link available. Updates and more information can be found at <http://nvecac.com/meeting-information/>
- The next **So. Nevada ECAC** meeting will be held virtually on August 16, 2023, from 12-2pm.

4. **Special Session** – still deciding some of the funding and few items pending signature with the governor. Waiting to see if increase in NV Ready preschool seats. Already received some seats, waiting to see if additional seats may be approved as budget allows.

Opportunities for advocacy with this committee. Attending Public Policy Forum nationally. Also state legislative opportunities with advocacy. If interested in joining, please see Julie!

g. Community Events Committee update

- Annual Step Up for Kid's Early Childhood event sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse Nevada/UNLV Office for Children's Research and Policy, is being hosted Saturday, October 14, 10-1, North Las Vegas Library, Alexander Branch, MLK/Alexander. SNAEYC is scheduled to participate. Glenda welcomes volunteers to represent our organization at a table. More information forthcoming.

We want community to know about us – open to families, providers, and community. We try to table events whenever possible to share what we do. Would love new membership for this committee, always looking for volunteers.

We did order new swag, including pop sockets, lip balm, brochures, color changing cups to use at various community events throughout the year.

4. Old Business

Committee Chairs – new shirts purchased, may be snug. Will be doing another purchase. Option to buy for any members, at cost, \$25. Women's fit. May also have a men's fit.

If you want to become the Membership Chair, you can get a shirt too!!

5. New Business

Survey done at State Conference regarding membership. Will be sharing the data to drive future activities. Positive that there were bi-lingual sessions to allow for more participation. Recommended to continue for next year.

6. Adjourn

7. Next Meeting:

September 11, 2023

5:30pm Networking & Nibbles, 6:00pm Meeting

Host: Julie (Public Policy Committee)

Come in person to enter raffle to get a "nibbles" book!