

CHILDCARE COMMISSION MINUTES
November 22, 2021
City of Coeur d' Alene- Conference Room 6
Zoom Meeting
6:30 pm

Commissioners Present

Iris Siegler Chair
Kim Torgerson
Beth Ann Fuller
Jolie Wenglikowski
Claire Swanby (Student Rep.)

Staff Present

Kelley Setters Deputy City Clerk

Commissioner Absent

Susie Freligh
Claire Pratt (Student Rep.)

Call to Order -

Chairman Siegler called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

Roll Call – All Commissioners present with the exception of Susie Freligh and Claire Pratt.

Approval of the Minutes from May 24, 2021 meeting (Action item) Beth Ann Fuller stated under the section Potential Code Changes the minimum of 10% of the play area can be paved with asphalt or concrete surfaces was not the intent of what was discussed. The intent was that the majority of the surfacing is required to be cushioned surface.

Motion by Torgerson to approve the May 24, 2021 meeting minutes amending the section under Potential Code Changes to read “The majority of the outdoor play area needs to be soft cushioned surfacing.” And remove minimum of 10% of the play area can be paved with asphalt or concrete surfaces **second** by Wenglikowski; **Motion carried.**

Appointment of Stephanie Goss to the commission. (Action Item)

Motion by Fuller to recommend to City Council appointment of Stephanie Goss to the Childcare Commission **second** by Torgerson; **Motion carried**

Re-Appointment Jolie Wenglikowski to the commission (Action Item)

Motion by Fuller to appoint Jolie Wenglikowski to the Childcare Commission, **seconded** Torgerson; **Motion carried.**

Student Rep Appointments – Claire Pratt and Claire Swanby

Motion by Wenglikowski to appoint Claire Pratt and Claire Swanby to the Childcare Commission, **seconded** by Fuller; **Motion carried.**

Commission Comments – None.

Public Comments – None.

Outdoor Play Area Discussion (Action item)

- a) Potential Code Changes – Discussion included that there is currently nothing in the fire code or health department code that addresses the need for soft surfaces and time spent for outdoor play. The City Code currently requires 75 sq. ft. per child of outdoor play area. Iris Siegler stated she spoke with the City of Moscow and they require 100 sq. ft. for outdoor play for commercial facilities not home occupations. Discussion continued with the need to have in the city code time allotted for outdoor play every 2.5 hours and to require play equipment for outdoor play areas. It was determined to get a copy of the State Code requirements and bring it back to the January 24th 2022 Childcare Commission meeting for discussion.

Motion by Torgerson to adjourn, seconded Fuller; Motion carried.

Representative Reports

IDAHOSTARS – Is offering a Stage 4 grant which is due at the end of the month.

Stephanie Goss shared that there is a “Nutrition Works Program” which adds to the USDA food program.

Beth Ann Fuller stated that Idaho AUYC is going back to having local chapters and each chapter having a least 10 people that belong to NAEYC.

NAFCC – None.

CENTER – None.

STUDENT – Clarie Swanby is from Lake City High School and newly appointed to the commission. Food drive was last week.

Next Meeting January 24, 2022

Adjournment

Motion by Torgerson to adjourn, seconded by Fuller Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.