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Coordinated Enrollment & Coordinated Funding Request Subcommittee Meeting
Agenda for Children, 8300 Earhart Blvd Suite #201 Board Room, New Orleans, LA 70118
April 21, 2023 | 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Subcommittee Members in Attendance: Dr. Fateama Fulmore, Rebecca Latham (Chair), Kate Mehok, Joy Mitchell (Proxy Kimberly Mitchell), Melanie Richardson, Derrick Toups, Rochelle Wilcox, Thelma French

Subcommittee Members Absent: None

I. **Call to Order**
   - At 9:08 a.m. D. Toups called the meeting to order.

II. **Roll Call**

III. **Coordinated Enrollment & Coordinated Funding Request Allocation Adjustments & Priorities**
   a. R. Latham presented an overview of 2023-24 City Seats allocations.
   b. D. Toups presented information on a plan to create 54 additional one-time seats for the 2023-24 year utilizing one-time B-3 bridge funding.
   c. D. Toups presented context on retaining 2 of the 54 seats to ensure continuity of care for 2 out-of-parish children since they are not eligible for City Seats funding due to residency requirements.
   d. R. Latham presented a recommendation on allocating 24 of the 54 seats to correct for a lesser difference between 2022-23 allocations and 2023-24 requests.
   e. R. Latham presented a recommendation on allocating 22 of the 54 seats to increase the minimum number of seats for 2023-24 City Seats recipients to 8 or the program's total ask if fewer than 8.
   f. There was discussion around creating a clear timeline and support structure for new early learning programs.
   g. There was discussion around developing a process for supporting programs with identifying ways to efficiently leverage multiple funding sources.
   h. Discussion on setting allocation priorities for future state match seats was postponed.
   i. **Vote:** Allocation Adjustments
      i. On the motion of K. Mehok, seconded by T. French, the subcommittee voted to approve the recommended allocations for 24 seats to adjust for programs that requested fewer seats for the 2023-24 year than they currently have in the 2022-23 year and to allocate 22 seats to adjust for an 8 seat minimum or lesser ask for City Seats programs.
   j. **Vote:** Future Allocation Priorities
      i. The vote was postponed until further discussion additional information is made available related to funding.

IV. **Enrollment Updates**
   - R. Latham presented recommendations for improving waitlist functionality within the new enrollment system.
   - T. French raised concerns about inconsistent enrollment practices among Orleans Parish Head Start partners.

V. **Adjournment**
   - D. Toups adjourned the meeting at 10:16 a.m.