OKLAHOMA PARTNERSHIP FOR SCHOOL READINESS
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 2, 2020
Virtual Meeting
10:30 a.m.

I. Welcome
The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. Angie took role.

Attending: Natalie Burns, Angie Clayton, Annette Jacobi, Will Lightfoot, Sarah Roberts (joined at 11:00 a.m.)
Staff: Debra Andersen, Vicki Bumpas, Torri Christian, Gabrielle Jacobi, Kim Jumper Brown, Chris Lee, Courtney Maker, Carlye McQuiston, Katie Parker

II. Approval of Minutes
Natalie moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Will. Motion passed by acclamation. Sarah had not joined.

III. Chairperson Comments Regarding Meeting Attendance
Annette shared that OCCY had its first virtual commission meeting last week. She offered several ideas for OPSR on how to host a virtual meeting for a large group like the OPSR Board. Under the Open Meeting Act, it is okay to not see every member’s face and phone calls are acceptable. Also due to the Open Meeting Act, the agenda needs to clearly state how members can join the meeting.

IV. OPSR Role in COVID-19 Response
Throughout the pandemic, OPSR has updated its website to share information related to early childhood and guidelines that they providers should be following. Debra Andersen also participates in a call with other agency leaders and PIOs to discuss what’s going on around the state.

Annette is co-chairing a task force with the Lieutenant Governor. The goal is to find out what families and citizens across the state need during this time. Annette suggested using the SenseMaker tool that OPSR has developed through Project HOPE. Annette, OPSR, and the University of Kansas (our contractor for SenseMaker) had a great call yesterday. Both the Lt. Governor and Annette are excited about the potential this project has to highlight family needs across the state.

Angie shared that the Oklahoma Child Care Association has been receiving daily reports of how many centers are closing across the state and that they’re working very hard to provide quality learning opportunities for children at home. So far, 600 centers have already closed and both families and providers are worried about the long-term impact of this.

V. Review of UCO Contract Expenditures
Vicki presented the OPSR second quarter financials. Natalie asked if because of the COVID crisis, if funds could carry over after the fiscal year. Annette said this is not likely due to predicted budget shortfalls next year.

Will will now serve on the OPSR Foundation Financial Committee in order to gain a full understanding of OSPR’s financials.

VI. Development of OPSR Board Agenda
The committee agreed that the meeting should be short and focused with written materials provided in place of presentations when appropriate.

VII. Announcements and New Business
No new business or announcements.

VIII. Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.