

**SIU CARBONDALE HEAD START
POLICY COUNCIL
SPECIALLY CALLED MEETING MINUTES
April 10, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT	MODE	MEMBERS ABSENT	STAFF PRESENT
Dionna Deville-Johnson (Parent Representative, Jackson County)	Virtual	Olivia Campbell	Lea Maue, Executive Director
Cerena Fleener (Parent Representative, Williamson County)	Virtual	Deborah Golden	
Catherine Phoenix (Parent Representative, Jackson County)	Virtual	Tessa Leech	
Imani McHenry (Parent Representative, Jackson County)	Virtual	Guadalupe Lopez	
Samantha Stout (Parent Representative, Jackson County)	Virtual	Deborah Wills	
Anna Sloan (Parent Representative, Williamson County)	Virtual		

Call to Order:

Executive Director, L. Maue, called the meeting to order at 5:02 pm. This was a specially called meeting of the 24-25 Policy Council called by the Executive Director and held virtually.

A roll call found there was a quorum. A quorum, as defined by the by-laws, is at least one-third of members present; a minimum of 50% of attending members are parents; and at least one parent from each county is present.

I. Old Business

II. New Business:

A. Competitive Grant Issue

- i. L. Maue reported that the competitive grant application was rejected because it was \$1 over the award ceiling.
- ii. This occurred due to a rounding error on university spreadsheets.
- iii. L. Maue met with OHS leadership, and the program has been asked to serve the area for a sixth year.
- iv. A competitive application will need to be submitted in fall 2025 for funding.

B. Continuation Grant Approval

- i. L. Maue presented the continuation grant for review and approval.
- ii. The budget, goals, and program operations are similar to those in the competitive grant application.

- ***D. Deville-Johnson moved to approve the 25-26 continuation grant application, S. Stout 2nd. All were in favor and none opposed. The 2025-26 Continuation Grant application was approved.***

C. Self-Assessment Approval

- i. L. Maue presented the 24-25 Self-Assessment for review and approval.
 - ii. 36 people attended the community wide meeting held at the Carbondale Civic Center on February 28, 2025.
 - iii. Ten recommendations were made and incorporated into program goals and action plan.
- ***D. Deville-Johnson moved to approve the Self-Assessment, S. Stout 2nd. All were in favor and none opposed. The 2024-25 Self-Assessment report was approved.***

Announcements

- The next Policy Council meeting will be held on April 21, 2025 at 6 pm.
- The last day of school for children will be May 14, 2025

- ***On a motion by C. Fleener, seconded by D. Deville-Johnson , the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.***

Respectfully Submitted by _____
Anna Sloan, Policy Council Chairperson