



**Spark NH Vision:** All New Hampshire children and their families are healthy, learning, and thriving now and in the future.

**Spark NH Mission:** Provide leadership that promotes a comprehensive, coordinated, sustainable early childhood system that achieves positive outcomes for young children and families, investing in a solid future for the Granite State.

## **Spark NH Summary of Committee Summaries December 14, 2017**

### **Executive Committee – November 14, 2017**

Debriefed October Council meeting, drafted December Council agenda. 2018 budget and sustainability were discussed. New members and officers were reviewed. Strategic plans will be rolled out soon. Follow up to the Governor’s Early Childhood Collective Visioning meeting on Dec 15. Resources from the BUILD Initiative were shared to brainstorm early childhood state infrastructure recommendations. Updates on Pyramid Model, Vroom and Mind in the Making were shared. Several upcoming public awareness events are being planned.

### **Policy Committee – November 6, 2017**

Jake Berry was hired as VP Policy at New Futures. Marj Droppa will no longer co-chair Policy Committee. Work plan goal 2 was discussed, to identify who else should be at the table. Additional partners were identified to inform committee on developmental screening. May 2018 ACES summit was discussed. Goal of the Governor’s Collective Vision for ECE is to educate people about the existing education system in NH. With Endowment for Health funding Spark will hold a symposium on the Framework. Jake reviewed current legislation action.

### **Data Committee – September 18, 2017**

Committee reviewed the framework of measures, and discussed the challenges with balancing the need for strong measures. Quality early childhood measure noted as missing. Attention needs to be paid to having disaggregated data available. Members wondered about the use of the term “access.” Suggested that we include possible data source for measures. Goal measures will be determined later. System measures for the objectives seemed at a higher level than the objectives themselves. Group decided not to review measures for Policy Committee. Peter will incorporate feedback from the committee. Karen will present results of Committee Member Survey at October 26 Council meeting.

### **Workforce and Professional Development Committee – September 22, 2017**

Kristin Booth, CDB Administrator, spoke about funding difficulties they face. Original date for Licensing Rules submission to JLCAR has been extended. How to find your way, a family resource developed by a LEND Fellow, is available through Kerry Wiley. Michelle Lewis is helping lead the Family Engagement task force to create strategies. Ideas to implement CD courses into other majors was discussed. Draft of strategic plan is done and it’s time for action. Goal is integrating SPECCCs into courses. Questions and issues heard from families in their profession were discussed.