

**Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council
Policy and Finance Subcommittee Public Meeting
Thursday, October 22, 2026
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Virtual**

Meeting Information

Location	Meeting ID	Passcode	Meeting Room
Zoom Platform	867 0737 7682	851310	Join Policy and Finance Zoom Meeting

Public Notice

The public is hereby notified that the Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council (ECAC) Policy and Finance Subcommittee may take agenda items out of order, combine items for consideration, or remove or defer items as needed. Public hearings, if any, will not begin earlier than the time posted on the agenda.

Public comment will be provided at the beginning and conclusion of the meeting. Comments are limited to three minutes per person. The Subcommittee Co-Chairs may limit public comment as necessary and reserve the right to call on individuals or allow testimony at any time during the meeting. Telephonic public comment can be called in at [253-205-0468](tel:253-205-0468).

This notice will be posted in accordance with [Nevada Open Meeting Law, NRS 241.020](#), and applicable Nevada Department of Education requirements. Meeting information and materials will be available on the [Nevada ECAC Policy and Finance Subcommittee webpage](#) and will also be posted on the [Nevada Department of Education website](#) and [Nevada Public Notice website](#). Notice will be emailed to people who have requested notice.

Reasonable accommodation will be provided for members of the public who require assistance to participate in this virtual meeting. Please contact Nevada ECAC by email at least five business days in advance, when possible, to request accommodation.

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The Co-Chairs will call the meeting to order. Member attendance will be taken to establish quorum.

2. Public Comment #1

Public comment will be taken on any item appearing on the agenda. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on an agenda as an item on which action may be taken. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.

3. Approval of Flexible Agenda (For Possible Action)

The Subcommittee will consider approval of a flexible agenda to allow items to be taken out of order, combined, or adjusted as permitted by the posted public notice.

4. Approval of September 24, 2026, Meeting Minutes (For Possible Action)

Members will review and consider approval of the September 24, 2026, Policy and Finance Subcommittee meeting minutes.

5. ECAC 2026 Policy Priorities and Recommendations for the Annual Report (Review, Discussion, Public Comment, and Possible Action)

Members will prioritize review of the proposed ECAC policy priorities and recommendations for inclusion in the 2026 ECAC Annual Report to the Governor and Nevada Legislature. Members will discuss revisions and consider recommendations to advance for the next stage of ECAC review. Possibly review [survey](#) results if available.

Lead: Denise Tanata and Tiffany Alston, Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-Chairs

6. PDG B-5 SMART Funding Opportunity (Information, Discussion, For Possible Action)

The subcommittee will receive information related to the Preschool Development Grant Birth through Five (PDG B-5) Strategic Measurement, Analytics, and Results using Technology (SMART) federal grant opportunity. An overview will be provided of current grant development progress and potential ways to engage the subcommittee related to the goals and objective of the workplan.

Lead: Rachel Stepina, PDG B-5 Grant Manager, Office of Early Learning and Development, NDE

7. Nevada Legislative and Policy Updates (Information and Discussion)

Members will receive and discuss relevant Nevada legislative and interim committee updates, including emerging bill draft requests and policy developments affecting Nevada's early childhood system.

Lead: Denise Tanata and Tiffany Alston, Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-Chairs

8. Member Share-Out (Informational and Discussion)

Members may share brief policy, finance, funding, legislative, or partner updates and resources relevant to the work of the Subcommittee.

Lead: Denise Tanata and Tiffany Alston, Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-Chairs

9. Discuss Items for the Next Meeting and Future Agenda Item Requests (Discussion)

Members will identify follow-up topics, presentations, unfinished business, and other items to be considered for the next or a future Policy and Finance Subcommittee meeting.

Lead: Denise Tanata and Tiffany Alston, Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-Chairs

10. Upcoming Meeting Schedule (Review and Discussion)

Members will review upcoming ECAC meeting dates and discuss scheduling needs or conflicts, as applicable.

Lead: Denise Tanata and Tiffany Alston, Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-Chairs

- Executive Leadership: November 3, 2026, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Family Leadership and Engagement: November 5, 2026, 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.
- Workforce Development: November 10, 2026, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- Policy and Finance: November 17, 2026, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
- General ECAC: November 18, 2026, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
- Communication and Engagement: November 24, 2026, 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

11. Public Comment #2

Public comment will be made during this agenda item on any matter within the Subcommittee's jurisdiction, control, or advisory power. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item until the matter is included on the agenda as an item on which action may be taken. Comments are limited to three minutes per person.

12. Adjournment

The Co-Chairs will adjourn the meeting

Lead: Denise Tanata and Tiffany Alston, Policy and Finance Subcommittee Co-Chairs