

***DRAFT Minutes of Vermont Child Poverty Council meeting***

*October 16, 2015*

**Meeting Date:** October 16, 2015, 9:00 - 12:00 (including subcommittee meetings)

**Members in Attendance**

Representative Jill Krowinski, Chair

Senator Claire Ayer

Carlen Finn, Voices for Vermont's Children

Heather Bouchey (designee of Amy Fowler, Vermont Agency of Education)

Karen Lafayette, Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council

Jean Murray, Vermont Legal Aid

Mat Barewicz (designee of Annie Noonan, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Labor)

Hal Cohen (designee of Paul Dragon, Vermont Agency of Human Services)

Jeff Francis, Vermont Superintendents Association

**Members Absent**

Senator John Campbell

Senator Anne Cummings

Representative Diane Lanpher

Representative Johannah Donovan

Harry Chen, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Health

Breena Holmes, Vermont Department of Health

Annie Noonan, Commissioner, Vermont Department of Labor (designee provided)

Paul Dragon, Vermont Agency of Human Services (designee provided)

Amy Fowler, Vermont Agency of Education (designee provided)

**Other Active Participants**

Sarah Teel, Research Director, Voices for Vermont's Children

Molly Goldberg, Research Associate, Voices for Vermont's Children

Jack Hoffman, Analyst, Public Assets Institute

**Topics Discussed**

- Voices for Vermont's Children
- Budgetary Issues- how the state budget affects children in poverty and their families
- Workforce Development

**Motions**

No motions were made during the meeting.

**Votes**

No votes were taken during the meeting.

***Minutes prepared by Agatha Kessler, Deputy Director of Operations***