

**DRAFT Minutes of Vermont Child Poverty Council  
Meeting of Full Council  
Room 10**

**Meeting Date:** 12/15/16, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**Members in Attendance**

Representative Diane Lanpher, Co-Chair  
Representative Jill Krowinski, Co-Chair  
Representative David Sharpe  
Paul Dragon, designee for Hal Cohen  
Carlen Finn, Voices for Vermont's Children  
Dr. Amy Fowler, Deputy Secretary, Agency of Education  
Jeff Francis, Vermont Superintendents Association  
Dr. Breena Holmes, Department of Health, via phone  
Karen Lafayette, Vermont Low Income Advocacy Council  
Jean Murray, Vermont Legal Aid  
Annie Noonan, Commissioner, Department of Labor  
Ken Schatz, Commissioner, Department for Children and Families

**Members Absent**

Senator Claire Ayer  
Senator John Campbell  
Senator Ann Cummings  
Hal Cohen, Secretary, Agency of Human Services

**Other Participants**

Pam Dalley, Department for Children and Families  
Dylan Giambatista, Office of the State Treasurer  
Dan Hoxworth, Capstone Community Action  
Matt Levin, Vermont Early Childhood Alliance  
Erhard Mahnke, Vermont Affordable Housing Coalition  
Holly Morehouse, Vermont Afterschool, Inc.  
Mary Niebling, Capstone Community Action  
Sarah Phillips, Office of Economic Opportunity, Department for Children and Families  
Barbara Russ, Vermont Afterschool, Inc.  
Falko Schilling, Action Circles  
Amy Shollenberger, Action Circles  
Shana Trombley, Vermont Children's Savings Account Program Advisory Committee  
Jonathan Wolff, Primmer Piper Eggleston and Cramer

Catherine McLinn and Marjorie Zunder, Legislative Council

## **Topics Discussed**

- **Financial Literacy**

Sarah Phillips, Chief Administrator, Office of Economic Opportunity, Department for Children and Families, described OEO's financial literacy programs.

Dylan Giambatista, Director of Outreach and Financial Literacy, Office of the State Treasurer, described several educational opportunities regarding personal finance that are sponsored by the Office of the State Treasurer.

Staff from Capstone Community Action, Dan Hoxworth, Executive Director, along with Mary Niebling, Director of Community Economic Development, described the financial literacy services offered by their programs, including assisting low-income individuals with preparing tax filings.

- **Vermont Children's Savings Account Program Advisory Committee**

Shana Trombley, Governor's Appointee, Vermont Children's Savings Account Program Advisory Committee, gave the Council an update on the work of the Advisory Committee.

- **Recommendations from members of the Council for completing the Council's Annual Progress Report to the General Assembly**

- **Motions**

No motions were offered.

- **Adjournment** at 12:57 PM.

*Minutes prepared by Marjorie Zunder, Legislative Council*