Committee Members in Attendance: Dr. Anthony Recasner, Patrick Dobard, Dr. Henderson Lewis, Carole Elliot, Sonjia Joseph, Kristi Givens, Kate Mehok, Thelma French, Keith Liederman, Joyce Ridgeway, Maria Blanco

Committee Members in Absence: None

At 11:39, the meeting was called to order by Dr. Anthony Recasner.

Adoption of the Agenda
On motion of Patrick Dobard and seconded by Maria Blanco the agenda was adopted as printed and disseminated.

Reports/Presentations
- New Orleans Early Education Network (NOEEN) Overview—Dr. Anthony Recasner, Elizabeth Kief, and Teresa Falgoust
  - Members recommended that staff provide more information on the number of “at-risk” Children vs. Publicly-Funded Children Served in ECE programs in New Orleans to present a more accurate picture of the service gap and need for additional early childhood funding.
  - Members, including Patrick Dobard and Carole Elliot, expressed their gratitude for Agenda for Children’s efforts to support programs of all types in the network
- Review of NOEEN Proposed Coordinated Enrollment Process—Patrick Dobard and Kristen Illarmo
  - Members recommended that staff invite those in Early Head Start-Child Care Partnerships to Early Learning Center Coordinated Enrollment sessions.
  - Members recommended that the waitlist policy for Head Start programs be reexamined to ensure that it is in compliance with federal Head Start guidelines.

Action Item(s)
- Action Item No. 1: On motion of Patrick Dobard and seconded by Kate Mehok, the Committee approved the 2015-16 NOEEN Steering Committee Handbook, including bylaws and meeting calendar.

At 1:35 the meeting was adjourned.