



**Arkansas River Valley Early Childhood Association
February 12, 2021
Zoom Meeting
Meeting Minutes
6:15-8:00**

Number in Attendance: 17

President: Ashley Napurano – present

Vice President: Deborah Dow - present

Treasurer: Joel Sims - present

Secretary: Ronnette Haynes - present

Member at Large: Thelma Russell - present

I. Welcome and Introductions:

- A.** President, Ashley Napurano, welcomed attendees and introduced the officers for the 2021 year.
- B.** President, Ashley Napurano reminded attendees that membership information can be found on the AECA website.

II. Business:

- A.** Meeting minutes from October 6, 2020 were submitted by secretary, Ronnette Haynes. Motion to approve minutes as read by Joel Sims. Seconded by Thelma Russell.
- B.** The Finance report was presented by Joel Sims for February 2020. Balance is \$1,644,73. This is the same as reported in October 2020. Motion to approve the

- financial report as read was made by Deborah Dow. Seconded by Thelma Russell
- C. A \$500 check should be received from AECA sometime after the winter board meeting.
 - D. All 2021 meetings will be via Zoom due to COVID.
 - E. Collaborate affiliate meetings are being discussed. Topic discussions include tracking attendance and PDR credit. Any updates will be on the website.
 - F. The 2021 RV-EVA meeting calendar has been posted on Facebook, RV-ECA website and e-mailed to all members.
 - G. Remember to stay connected with us through e-mails, the monthly newsletter, affiliate organizations, and Facebook.
 - H. The 14th Annual Western Arkansas Early Childhood Conference will be held virtually on April 10th 9:00am-3:00pm, Live Zoom presentations. Theme: Feeling Puzzled? Come See How We Fit Together
 - I. President Ashley Napurano plans to begin sending out monthly newsletters – emailing them to members. Topics will include upcoming events, classroom ideas, tips/resources. A Google Form will be sent out to get information about trainings members would like in regards to child development. We want to meet the classroom teachers' needs.
 - J. Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 11, 2021 via Zoom. The business meeting will be held 6:15-6:30. Elizabeth Coakley will present *The Journey Never Ends*. Elizabeth will discuss her journey through education from AAS to a Masters degree using the TEACH Scholarship Program that is now offered in Arkansas.

III. Meeting Adjourned:

- A. Joel Sims made a motion that the meeting be adjourned and seconded by Thelma Russell.

IV. Presentation:

- A. Number in attendance - 32
- B. Ashley Napurano presented *Playing to Learn: Infant and Toddler Activities for Fostering Learning*. Participants learned about the 5 developmental learning domains and how play impacts all areas of development. PDR credit was given to participants that submitted their e-mail address and PDR #s.

