Early Learning and Child Care Executive Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday May 24th, 2017, ECCDC 3340 Schmon Parkway, Thorold.

In attendance: Valerie Chase, Tracey Murray, Melissa McLauchlan, Melissa Kachur and Lorrey Arial Bonilla Regrets: Kim Cole, Veronique Emery, Christina Clark

Item	Discussion	Next Steps	Timeline
Welcome	Group introduced themselves and the organization's in which they work.		
Review of Agenda	Review of agenda items	No additions to the agenda	
Business Arising from Last Meeting	Network members received list of members	List to be updated and distributed periodically.	On an annual basis
Governance Partners Program	Participants were asked if there were any follow up questions after the links to the Niagara Community Foundation website was distributed. There were no questions at this time.	Members to request additional questions as desired when they'd like to explore further.	As needed
Feedback Related to Upcoming Training Topics	Participants are enjoying specific training sessions being offered on the same day prior to ED Network Meetings to help make the best use of their time.	ECCDC to investigate possible speakers to offer the session for the ED Network over the coming year.	For Fall 2017 And Winter/Spring 2018
	Participants expressed a desire for the following future sessions to be offered;		
	Risk Management		
	Managing Grief		
	Tips for Conducting Internal Investigations Group Benefit Plan Options with Agencies in Niagara		
	Health and Wellness sessions		
New Business- Future Meeting Plans	Participants suggested the following topics to be explored as Round Table Sharing with ED's bringing information to share where possible; Health and Wellness Ideas	ECCDC to invite ED's to bring information and resources to share at upcoming meetings as advertised to	Round Table Topics To Be Explored over the Coming year
	Benefit Strategies	include the round table topics.	
	Engaging with Families- Communication Ideas		
	Supply Staff Strategies		
	Hugs Program		
Future Meeting	Group wishes to meet prior to September due to the busy month	ECCDC to send out possible dates	July