



Meeting Schedule	
Thursday 10 February, 3:30 – 5:00	
Thursday 10 March 12:00 – 1:30	
Thursday 14 April 3:30 – 5:00	
Thursday 12 May 5:30 – 8:00	
Thursday 9 June 3:30 – 5:00	
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Thursday 11 August 3:30 – 5:00	
Thursday 8 September 12:00 – 1:30	
Thursday 13 October 3:30 – 5:00	
Thursday 10 November 5:30 – 8:00	
Thursday 8 December – End of year celebration	

**Date and Time of Meeting:** 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 12:00 – 1:30pm

**Attendance:** Reesa Sorin, Moniek de Kievith, Leah Stevenson, Amanda Graham, Irene Graham, Lisa Seymour, Todd Avery, Diane Bray, Alice Tabuai, Polly Lindenmayer, Donna McCulloch, Noema Mahutairiki

**Apologies:** Lynne Smith, Andrew McLean, Naomi Porter and Pat Meakin

**Facilitator:** Reesa Sorin

**Notetaker:** Moniek de Kievith

**Meeting began at:**

Item	Topic	Discussion	Action
1	Welcome Review: Minutes of last meeting/Old business	Thanked Lisa Seymour for new venue – Family Day Care, Edge Hill. A great venue to hold out lunch time meetings as better parking to previous lunch time meetings held at 'Relationships Australia'.	Have planned to hold the lunch time meeting scheduled for 8 <sup>th</sup> of September at the same venue.
2	FNECN Report: - News/ Events - Website and Facebook - Finances	Reminded everyone to keep liking our FNECN Facebook page. Donna McCulloch announced that we have we have over 200 friends on Facebook.  Moniek de Kievith announced that she has taken over treasurer position for FNECN, as Annabel Daunt Watney has resigned. FNECN funds are getting low.	

		To help raise funds we will be asking for \$5 donation for certificates to help with catering costs moving forward.	
3	Partners' reports: - News/ events	<p>Donna McCullouch provided partner report for <b>Smith Family</b>. She announced that they have conducted their first 'Let's Count' session. This program highlights mathematical concepts to parents and children under 5 years. Donna has recently returned from Brisbane for training. The program supports parents and early years educators to develop the maths skills of the children in their care by noticing, exploring, and talking about numbers, counting, measurement and patterns in their daily lives.</p> <p>Any EC educators in the industry are eligible for funding and the Federal government is going to support program for the next 4 years.</p> <p>Irene Goodrich provided partner report on behalf of the transition space for the Office of Early Childhood Education and Care. Currently they are working with DET and JCU and looking at leadership in ECE.</p>	Add link to FNECN website: <a href="https://www.thesmithfamily.com.au/what-we-do/our-work/at-school/early-years-and-primary/lets-count">https://www.thesmithfamily.com.au/what-we-do/our-work/at-school/early-years-and-primary/lets-count</a>
4	New Business	Ben Walker announced his new role regulating for quality at the Office of Early Childhood Educations and Care, which came out in response to Family Daycare strategy. FNQ is the first region to have this. Relates to finding trends in the industry, including critical incidents.	
6	Topic of the month/ Speaker/ Brief Summary	<p>Topic: <b><i>Inclusive Environments for Young Children</i></b></p> <p>This was presented by Diane Bray and Alice Tabuai from the <b>Inclusion Support Agency</b>.</p> <p>Included was the announcement for the Inclusion Support Agency is due to end in June 2016.</p> <p>Reesa suggested we link up with teachers and EC services to discuss situation with them to gain support for continuation of this very valuable service in the community.</p>	
Next Meeting: Date/Venue/ Topic/ Speaker: Thursday April 14 <sup>th</sup> , 3:30pm – 5pm at Wuchopperen			
<b>Meeting closed at:</b> 1:35pm			