

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. D(3)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: September 7, 2004

TITLE: Appointments to the Childcare Study Committee

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| DEPARTMENT: Board of Aldermen | PUBLIC HEARING: YES or NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| ATTACHMENTS: A. Resolution Making Appointments B. Applications C. Resolution Establishing Childcare Study Committee D. Letter seeking applicants | FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Alderman Mark Chilton |

PURPOSE

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen are requested to consider making appointments to the newly-established Childcare Study Committee. The Board of Aldermen established this committee on May 4, 2004.

INFORMATION

One of the annual goals on the 2004-05 Work Plan is to improve options for childcare businesses. At the Board's meeting on May 4, 2004, Alderman Chilton presented a report to the Board regarding this matter and the Board adopted a resolution establishing a Childcare Study Committee.

This committee was charged with gathering information and making a report to the Board of Aldermen regarding the following issues: (a) planning and zoning treatment of childcare facilities; (b) revenue neutral steps that the town can take to increase childcare options in Carrboro; and (c) opportunities for improving working conditions for childcare workers.

See Attachment C for the composition of the committee.

A general advertisement was placed in the newspaper and letters were sent to Carrboro childcare facilities in addition to other childcare agencies. (Attachment D) The Town Clerk has received applications from the following:

Sadie Bauer (Children's Cooperative Playschool)
Rosalind Council (Carrboro Early School)
Melissa Jack (childcare provider)
Ethel Lindley (Carrboro Methodist Daycare)
Devin Pressley (retired teacher)
Michele Rivest (Orange County Partnership for Young Children)
Susan Russell (Child Care Services)
Kathy Snethen (Orange County DSS)
Deborah Taylor (Cooperative Extension Service)
Sonia Wiggins (Mi Escuelita)
Pam Zornick (Orange County Headstart)

FISCAL IMPACT

None

RECOMMENDATION

The town staff recommends that the Board of Aldermen adopt the attached resolution making appointments to the Childcare Study Committee