



Governor's Task Force on Governance of Early Childhood Education and Care

Agenda

Thursday, April 30, 2026

9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Texas Workforce Commission State Government Office

Through presentations and member discussion, the Task Force will:

- *Refine a shared understanding of the current early childhood education and care landscape in Texas, with a particular focus on challenges related to governance and other system components*
- *Hear perspectives from key state agency leaders*
- *Align the Task Force vision, problem statement, and strategic roadmap to the statutory requirements of H.B. 117*
- *Surface key questions for the Task Force's work to adopt recommendations*
- *Establish next steps and future discussion topics*

- I. Call to Order and Welcome (*Chairman Peter Holt*)
- II. Invited Comment – State Agencies
 - Stephanie Muth, Executive Commissioner, Health and Human Services Commission
 - Mike Morath, Commissioner of Education, Texas Education Agency
 - Joe Esparza, Chairman and Commissioner Representing Employers, Texas Workforce Commission
- III. Recap of March 31 Meeting and Reflection on Agency Presentations
 - *Discussion Questions*
 - *What stood out to you?*
 - *What surprised you?*
 - *What do we still need to know?*
- IV. Presentation and Discussion of Task Force Problem Statement, Vision, and Purpose
 - *Review statutory requirements, review the consolidated vision statement, and come to agreement on the problem statement*
- V. Presentation and Discussion of Task Force Strategic Road Map
 - *Review strategic priorities and meeting arc*
 - *TF Member and Steering Committee survey*
- VI. May Meeting – Confirm Outline and Next Steps
- VII. Adjourn