

Great Start Collaborative (GSC) Meeting Agenda
February 25, 2019
9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.



Attendees:

Stefanie Rathburn - GSC

Yvonne Parker - CAA

Andrea Bricker - Integro

Laura Orlovski - Jonesville Library

Sara Clark - GSC

Roxanne Waldron - Integro

Candice Gardiner - MSU Extension

Gisele Sutton - Jonesville Library

Mindy Wilson-HCISD

Linda Wise - HCISD/GSRP

Kelley Mapes, BHSJ Health Agency

Rozanne Pauze - Parent

Laurie Brandes - Prevention Works

Christie Campbell - CAPA

Marylou Sitkiewicz - Litchfield Schools

Nancy DeBacker - Alpha Omega

Gerri Neill - Parent

Cheryl Scharer - Parent

Sharon Elliott- Michigan Works

Kelly Castle - Parent

Kristy Wood - Child Care Network

Beth Rubley - Highfields

Donna Green - Lifeways

I. Welcome & Introductions

A. Team Challenge: How well do you know our local GSC?

1. Four teams of 3-4 work together to answer questions about the GSC to increase our knowledge and support understanding of what we are here to do. GSC promotional items provided as participation gifts.

II. GSC Office Updates

A. Updates on recent Hillsdale County Community Foundation (HCCF) grant submissions:

1. Early Care/Learning & Literacy subcommittee submitted -
 - a) Healthy Senior/Healthy Youth Grant from Community Foundation- goal to help unlicensed or new child care providers receive funds to become licensed. Funds would allow for a minimum of 6 individuals to receive funding to support start-up expenses.. If we are chosen as a grant recipient, we will kick off fairly quickly and have an application process for people to apply for this funding.
2. Early Care/Learning & Literacy subcommittee submitted -
 - a) Love Your Community Grant from the Community Foundation- If we receive funding this will support the Community Book Walk to take place at the local farmers market to encourage a love of literacy & promote healthy eating. We expect that in early March, we'll find out if we are chosen for the final round which is a facebook vote. If selected to move forward, we'll be asking everyone to like and share the post.

B. Parent Liaison Report

1. Parent Coalition Meeting tomorrow, 2-26-19. Flier located on sharing table.
2. Next Parent Coalition Meeting, March 19th: family game night(see flier)
3. Sara is working on developing a newsletter which will be distributed electronically. Get email address to Sara if you would like to be included.

C. Community Baby Shower

1. Pediatric and Family Health made a plea for people to help

- a) in seeking donations from community businesses and/or individuals - a sign up sheet was passed around
- b) to attend and support planning efforts during meetings held separate from other subcommittee meeting times. Scheduled dates are: March 6th 9:30 - 11, March 22nd 12 - 1:30 p.m. (lunch provided), April 8th 9:30 - 11; all meetings to be held at Hayes

III. Subcommittee Work Time

- A. Break into subcommittees for work time

IV. Subcommittee Reports

- A. Pediatric & Family Health
 - 1. Baby Shower Work
 - a) Donations- Drop off at Hayes
 - b) Diaper Donations like last year?
 - c) Facebook promo for diaper drive?
- B. Community Resources
 - 1. Worked on powerpoint to promote the community resource guide
 - 2. Google group to communicate in real time
 - 3. Talked about plan for who to present to with this powerpoint
 - a) maybe lunch and learn
 - b) present at HSN, Service Clubs, Ministerial, medical providers
- C. Early Care/Learning & Literacy
 - 1. Library Letter
 - 2. Volunteers to help and act as readers at event
 - 3. fliers for Book Walk that can be used if moving forward with Love Your Community
 - 4. Feb 28th meeting cancelled- Attending principals meeting instead for panel discussion on before and after school child care in county
 - 5. K Transition update: Brochure in process will go out to families
 - 6. Pre-K teachers: Transition Activities Flier
 - 7. Healthy Senior/Healthy Youth Grant
 - 8. Fall Forum- Childcare forum. Invite community stakeholders to attend. Breakfast, maybe at Senior Center. Gain buy in for creating quality childcare

V. Community Updates

- A. Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)
 - 1. Processed 157 referrals from July 1, 2018 to present
 - 2. Started preschool-readiness playgroup for Early On families
- B. School Readiness
 - 1. Preschool Connect: March 25, 3:30 to 7pm, Hayes Lower Level (park in back)
 - 2. Kindergarten readiness flier
- C. Agency Updates
 - 1. ACES & Resilience Training: Friday March 15th 9-1pm. Showing the movie and then training. Lunch provided. Space limited! Register by Email. For agency partners & GSC parents.

2. Candice Gardiner- MSU Extension
 - a) Nutrition programing with Preschool, 1st, 3rd & 5th grades.
Contact her to schedule.
 - b) Cooking Matters: St. Anthony's in March on Tuesdays at 1:30pm. (income eligible individuals)
 - c) Upcoming Curriculum:
 - (1) Cooking for One: coming this summer
 - (2) Teen Cuisine (6th to 12th grade)- Dates to come
 - (3) Teaching Developmentally Disabled
 - (4) Cottage Food Law Flier
3. Community Action Agency/Head Start
 - a) Home Buyer Education: March 16th 9 to 3pm, RSVP
4. CAPA: Christie - Magic Ride & Glow Run- April 27th, evening 5K run/walk and ride. @ BawBees

Next Meeting...March 18th 9 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.