

**Great Start Collaborative (GSC) Meeting Minutes**  
**January 28, 2019**  
**9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**



**Attendees:**

Stefanie Rathburn - GSC  
Yvonne Parker - CAA  
Angela Turner - CAA  
Sara Clark - GSC

Andrea Bricker - Integro  
Stacy Ansel - HCISD  
Mindy Wilson-HCISD  
Laurie Brandes - Prevention Works

Linda Wise - HCISD/GSRP  
Kelley Mapes, BHSJ Health Agency  
Mackenzie Tipping- Hillsdale Hospital  
Kerri Parker- DHHS

**I. Welcome & Introductions**

Andrea filled role of chair as Mari unable to be in attendance. Stefanie indicated some tweaks to order of agenda to allow people to leave early if they felt the weather conditions were worsening. In addition, portions of the agenda would be put on hold til the February meeting when more participants are anticipated.

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

1. More effective with full room, so tabled for February.

**II. GSC Office Updates**

**A. Love Your Community Grant Application**

1. Due this Thursday
2. Requesting funding support for Community Book Walk
3. Saturday in July. Partner with Farmers Market. Have large story books at different stations. Families get token for fresh produce for participating. Goal is families more involved in community, more nutritious foods on their tables, books in kids hands. This is a national initiative. The grant will allow for purchase of books, funds to pay for tokens(fresh vegetables).

**B. Healthy Senior/Healthy Youth Fund**

1. Requires board approval, which is why we needed to have meeting today
2. Drastic need for child care. We would have a pot of funds to support non-licensed childcare providers becoming licensed. We have data that supports the need for quality, licensed daycare in Hillsdale county, which is the reason behind our pursuit of this grant. Would include a marketing campaign, vetting, and fees (application, radon fees, well-check, etc.) These funds would support 6 people being able to be chose to receive this funding. Could be current unlicensed child care providers, or brand new providers who are interested in becoming childcare providers.
3. Vote- Passed Unanimously; Stefanie will reach out to a parent representative to gain their support as well.

**C. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention - Milestone Tracker at [www.greatstarhillsdale.com](http://www.greatstarhillsdale.com)**

1. Had ASQ on website. Wasn't used largely by community members. Only a handful in the past 3 years.
2. Decided to use resources that are free and include local information to contact if concerns.
3. Brochures will be handed out. Information on the back will include contact information for Early On.

#### **D. Moment of Recognition: Emmanuel**

1. Thank you for really putting in the hard work to get our community resource directory going
2. Card going around to sign that will be mailed out to him. Thankful for his hard work, and he will be missed.
3. Will have a SOAR student from Hillsdale College coming aboard to help continue to support the resource directory as well as other initiatives.

#### **E. Parent Liaison Report**

1. Last meeting was cancelled due to weather. New date and topic will be announced soon.
2. Winterfest in December was great.

### **III. Community Updates**

#### **A. Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)**

#### **B. School Readiness**

1. February 6th, 4-5, Kindergarten Transition Meeting
  - a) Will have resource available
  - b) Share best practices
2. February 28th, Wraparound care for children

#### **C. Agency Updates**

1. Laurie Brandes- Resilient Hillsdale County
  - a) Getting ready to show the movie "Resilience", about toxic stress trauma and how it affects everyone (children through adults)
  - b) Would like to show at Premiere Theater, but was told "no"
  - c) Looking for connections that may help get us through the door. Angela Turner used to work there and knows the manager. She offered to speak to them to see if we can.
2. Kelley Mapes- BHSJ Community Health Agency
  - a) Encouraging 1-800-quitnow
  - b) Great conference coming up. It's linked on the website. Check it out.
  - c) Car seats- has 20-25 booster seats! Needs to do booster seat checks and have them used! 4-8 years old. Height and weight.
  - d) EMR- Electronic records, excited to see how that helps
  - e) Project Connet this week
3. Yvonne Parker - CAA
  - a) Sub-training, 2- 2 1/2 hours
  - b) No real requirements
  - c) January 31st
  - d) Go through fingerprinting & Background checks
  - e) Spread the word
4. Angela Turner CAA
  - a) Tax Preparation
    - (1) under \$55,000 they will qualify
    - (2) see flier

- b) Project Connect flier
- 5. Andrea Bricker - Integro
  - a) Lots of changes happening
    - (1) Keisha Carroll- Last day Friday. Moving closer to family
    - (2) Ebony Hicks- Husband got promoted and are relocating to Iowa. Last day is Friday.
    - (3) Grace Hoyle- Having a baby, will be out on maternity leave. Finished up last Friday.
    - (4) Roxanne Waldron- Just hired part time for Parents as Teachers also interning while she finishes her degree.
- 6. Laurie Brandes- Prevention Works
  - a) Co-occurring disorders Lunch & Learn
  - b) February 7th, 11-1, at Hayes- Free
  - c) Register to Laurie Brandes
- 7. Andrea- Integro
  - a) Flier, Pregnancy- 5 years
  - b) Pass around for feedback
  - c) Will be used as a guide for professionals

#### **IV. Subcommittee Work Time**

##### **A. Pediatric & Family Health**

##### **B. Community Resources**

- 1. Meet in Dining room

##### **C. Early Care & Learning/Literacy**

#### **V. Subcommittee Reports**

- A. Will report next meeting

**Next Meeting...February 25th 9 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**