

**Great Start Collaborative (GSC) Meeting Agenda
May 21, 2018**

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Location: HCISD; Hayes Administration Building Conference
Room**

310 W Bacon St. Hillsdale, MI 49242



In attendance: Mari Nunez (Family Counseling Center), Betty Elliott (Child Care Provider), Christine Cgjestland (Highfields), Ruth Brown (Hillsdale County Commissioner), Jo Essenmacher (Reading GSRP), Jen Houston (Highfields), Linda Wise (HCISD/GSRP), Mindy Wilson (HCISD), Stefanie Rathburn (Great Start Collaborative), Gina Fosdick (Great Start Collaborative), Jonathan Tobar (HCISD), Rozeanne Pauze (Parent/Grandparent), Kelly Castle (Parent), Abby Bauerly (Department of Health & Human Services), Amy Glover (Parent), Laurie Brandes (Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition), Stacy Ansel (HCISD), Christie Campbell (CAPA), Kristy Wood (Child Care Network), Andrea Bricker (Integro), Catherine Ellis (Michigan Works Southeast), Clint Brugger (Community Action Agency), Beth Rubley (Highfields), Terrina Liogghio (211), Lona Carpenter (Parent), Darcy Affholter (Reading GSRP), Kelley Mapes (Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency), Aimee Crist (Integro), Tonya McCallister (Parent)

1. Welcome & Introductions: Mari called the meeting to order at 9:04am.

- Small Group Activity- Index card. Divide up into 5 groups according to your color card. Come up with learning or phrase describing engaged using the letters of ENGAGED. Groups chose lead to report out on their brainstorm and share with the group as a whole. Engagement looks a little different to different people. As a small group, thoughts came together and it was much easier. Results are included at end of this document.

2. GSC Office Updates:

- Trusted Advisor Grants- Finished up round one of funding in March. Final report to state due at the end of this month. Stefanie will provide more comprehensive update at June meeting. Continuing to move forward with Round 2 of funding. Weekend nutrition program with local districts and extension of playgroups. Very close to having two playgroup facilitators on board. Will be contracted to facilitate playgroups and to recruit families in those outlying districts.
- GSC/GSPC Statewide Site Visit- Thank for those of you who participated in our statewide site visit 2 weeks ago. In addition to Gina and Stefanie, the following participated in group interviews with the evaluator: Kelly Castle, Cheryl Schaerer, Valeria Periera-Brown, Mari Nunez, Andrea Bricker, Kristy Wood, Linda Wise, Clint Brugger, Debbie Reister, and Nancy DeBacker.. We are anxiously waiting for feedback. Mari shared that it was nice to engage in a conversation about our goals and how we work together. So many times we do meetings, but wonder if anyone knows whats going on. It was nice to hear feedback about what we are doing compared to other GSC's around the state. Clint said it was interested to hear each others feedback and responses to the questions of the facilitator from the state. Stefanie shared the the evaluator had asked a lot of questions about engagement.
- Updating OUR action agenda for grant application: We do not need to write a full new strategic plan, but we do need to update our subcommittee work plans. Review current data. Review where we've been and where we'd like to go. Due in fall, but with full future

agendas, we want to planning a ½ day retreat to complete this work. Please vote on one of the two following dates that you could possibly attend. Child care will be provided, if needed, as well as a lunch following the work session. Please indicate the day or days you can attend. If you can attend both, mark both sides.

- Wednesday, August 1st 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

- Monday, August 6th 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. (WILL BE DAY)

- Parent Liaison Report- Attended CAA Community Picnic on Friday. Handed out playgroup schedule for summer months. Currently planning parent meeting dates for next year. Hope to have flier out soon.

3. Sub-committee work:

- If new, join a group that you are interested in
- Each committee meets individually this meeting

4. Sub-committee reports

- **Pediatric & Family Health (Mari)** - Utilize the media (GS website, facebook, newspaper) spent time pulling information and articles together as well as post topics.
- **Child Care (Kristy)** - 3 articles in newspaper. Thought it was to be May 19th. Scheduled to interview programs for next article. Considering opening fall forum with stakeholders to help lead what's next. Out of all centers in county, 8 infant spots available. Non GSRP/H.S. are all 2 ½ and up. Struggling for infant spots in our county that are not home-based. One unlicensed provider is taking part of GSC sponsored training opportunity.
- **Community Resources (Andrea)** - Reviewed a continuum of care for child. Identified what's not on the list, what we need on list. 211 joined our group to brainstorm ways to enhance system. Identify powerhouse agency who touches a lot of families to be able to incorporate in their intake process to share about 211. Bring community resources/guides together to give a facelift in regards to children's resource guide.
- **Literacy (Linda)** - Book borrowing bins. Talked about how to keep track. Doing mini-survey at Kidsfest.

5. Community Updates

- **Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC) (Mindy)** - Early On grant is due soon.. Will be completing that this month. Will have more comprehensive information to share out next month.
- **School Readiness (Linda)** - Sign up for data analysis team. June 1st 1-4 (Friday) will meet and report back at our June 4th meeting. Please sign up if you are interested in attending.
- **Agency Updates**
 - On June 22 from 11 to 2, CAA will sponsor diaper drive. It's a large need in the community. WE need everyone's help. IF you are someone who can take back to your agency to collect diapers to get employees to donate. Radio Station will be coming to cover event. Want to have people come to drop off diapers during that time so they can talk to radio station. Please get the word out and start collecting to support this. Focus on 1-3 year olds. Clint will get flier out. It will be on the Great Start Collaborative website and Facebook page. Stefanie indicated that this group could make a donation on behalf of the GSC. Encouraged members to bring diapers to donate and our collaborative will make a donation together.

- Kelly Mapes: Free NRT 1-800-quitnow. Open to anyone.
- Linda Wise- Spread the word to sign up for preschool through GSRP & Head Start. Get signed up now to make sure that you have a spot.
- Stefanie shared an infant safe sleep training routed through DHHS. . There is a flier. Please pick up. June 13th here at ISD. Kim Pickett will be presenting.
- Stefanie shared that summer playgroup dates have been released! Not flier, but save the dates.
- Retreat day will be August 6th based on group consensus. If parent members will require on-site childcare, they are asked to let Stefanie know as soon as possible.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 4th 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

<p>E: email, education & professional development</p> <p>N: numbers</p> <p>G: growth mind-set</p> <p>A: affirming & appreciative</p> <p>G: giving of our time</p> <p>E: energy</p> <p>D: diversity - voice, thought, representation</p>	<p>E: energy</p> <p>N: networking</p> <p>G: gathering</p> <p>A: attending</p> <p>G: gratitude</p> <p>E: enthusiasm</p> <p>D: dedication</p>	<p>E: everyone involved</p> <p>N: network</p> <p>G: generate ideas</p> <p>A: actively apply</p> <p>G: goal setting & evaluation</p> <p>E: educate ourselves and others</p> <p>D: diversity encouraged</p>	<p>E: enthusiastic about the work</p> <p>N: networking</p> <p>G: giving of time</p> <p>A: active participation - more than just showing up</p> <p>G: give your cell phone a break and get involved</p> <p>E: eager to move the work forward</p> <p>D: delegate</p>	<p>E: eye contact (communicates active listening)</p> <p>N: negotiate differences</p> <p>G: goal oriented (where are we headed together)</p> <p>A: authentic/real in relationships</p> <p>G: get on the team (partnership and participation)</p> <p>E: energy/passion (the work takes people's time, talent and passions)</p> <p>D: dedicated to being present and focused</p>
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