

Great Start Collaborative (GSC) Meeting Minutes

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1. Welcome/Introductions/Opening Activity

2. Spotlight Presentation: Triple P: Positive Parenting Program Tosha Burger & Christie Campbell/CAPA

Tosha shared information about the parenting program options brochure, flyer and referral form are attached. Two seminar options. One is a more intensive commitment - 10 sessions/60 minutes each and the other is a 3 session option, also 60 minutes in duration. All are offered via Zoom; numbers have increased since they moved to the virtual platform,

3. GSC Office Updates

- Strategic Plan
 - narrative complete, working on clean-up, adding pictures and "prettying" it up
 - goal to have submitted by Thanksgiving Break
 - will have copies available for all GSC members at December meeting

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- Great Give
 - Materials in packet
 - Contribution envelope included
 - Other alternatives for making a donation
 - Donation boxes for any agencies who want to collect
 - First ever annual report
 - excited to have an "at-a glance" document that shares GSC outcomes, initiatives, and more; encouraged to share with others who have an interest in early childhood and/or folks who aren't familiar with the efforts of the GSC
- Marketing
 - Michigan Parent December/January issue Will have an article about the GSC; upcoming interview and photo shoot at Get Your Game On event
- Events since last meeting
 - Fall Fest
 - 110 families made up of 249 children and 159 adults
 - Family Coalition
 - 1 parent
- Upcoming Events
 - Game On
 - Nov 14 from 4:30 6 pm at Hayes Lower Level
 - Registration requested limited spots available
 - Winterfest
 - Dec 7 from 5 6:30 pm at Dean Jennings Drive-thru event
 - Registration is requested
 - Agency volunteers wanted
 - Event Schedule updated
 - Revised date has been added to the top
- Other
 - What's Next: Social Emotional Kit Updates
 - We are at the end of this pilot program from 2022
 - Please take down flyer if posted in your agencies
 - Discussion of next step will be had at the December meeting
- Little Free Library One Point Technology Group
 - Is no longer a LFL site
 - We have collected the library pieces and will look into reassembling it
 - We were able to get the books back from the owner HCGSC VISION

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4. Subcommittee Reports/Work Plan Updates

- Child Care
 - -Recap work plan last year- Child care grant the funding ended but support continues; 10 new programs from grant funding; 48 programs total
 - Child Care Chirp Newsletter- There has not been feedback from businesses the survey has reportedly been sent to to see if they would like newsletter to continue
 - Appreciation for childcare providers will continue again in May
 - Continuing to partner with Child Care Regional Planning Group

5. Community Updates

• Local Interagency Coordinating Council (LICC)

- Winterfest coming- pre registration requested for families
- Transition playgroup- 2 sessions 2x a week
- Monthly playgroup with Early On families, monthly topic and parenting points
- New hire starts after Thanksgiving will be at full capacity
- 115 referrals since July

• Agency Updates

- Community Baby Shower Planning date is November 30th
 @ 8:30 at Hayes, if you want to be on mailing list please reach out to Stefanie (Mari)
- Reminder a few GSRP openings in Hillsdale and Litchfield along with HS openings (Linda)
- Great Give today starts pregiving; 15 organizations this year (Mindy E)
- Integro starting October 1 service provision shifting.
 Expanding outpatient services and more in-person services, but there are continued in-home services (Andrea)
- Domestic Harmony- Christmas program- provides families Christmas- anything they would like to help with it would be appreciated. Angel Trees, Mom baskets, game night baskets (Tonia)

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 Looking for central Hillsdale location to meet for moms group (Elizabeth)

6. Closing

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