

# Parent Meeting Minutes

March 16, 2022

3:30 – 4:30 p.m.



Attendance: Kelly Castle, Sara Clark, Stefanie Rathburn, Wendy Playford

1. Order drinks/sign-in/parent networking (3:30-3:40)
2. Welcome and Introductions
3. Great Start Collaborative
  - Questions/topics to discuss
  - Return to in-person meetings – April
    - Heads up that on Monday's GSC and Subcommittee meetings we will be discussing the return to in person meetings. The return to in-person meetings will happen in April. The main GSC meeting will not have a hybrid offering. Some of the subcommittees might have a hybrid option. The meetings will still be recorded and available for people after the meetings.
4. Little Free Library (Parent-led Strategy)
  - Books – on hand and available at the end of the meeting
  - Marketing efforts – Preschool Connect video
    - Preschool Connect is virtual again this year. Last year we did a video on the summer PLAY events. This year we would like to do a short (30 seconds) video advertising the LFL and the locations around the county.
    - Pictures or video to be sent to Wendy by March 30, 2022.
  - Status updates
    - See tracking form
  - Relocation update
    - Email sent out to the Lil' Rangers Daycare last week about possible LFL site. Haven't heard back yet. Will follow up with a phone call.
  - Grant and new locations possibilities update
    - No update to give. Will be looking into the recently opened Dollar General youth grant.

## 5. Text4Baby (Parent-led Strategy)

- Business card size marketing materials
  - Proofs on hand and discussed. Some minor changes will be made to the final two designs.
- Community Baby Shower table with prize wheel
  - Date and location to be finalized after next week's planning meeting.

## 6. Community Presentation

- Recap:
  - March – What Reading Looks Like... with a baby, with a toddler, with a preschooler
    - 1 RSVP received. 1 parent participated.
    - Kayla from the Literacy team will be recording the content in small chunks to allow us to post to Facebook and potentially reach a larger number of families.
- Upcoming:
  - April – Managing Stress and Mindfulness for Parents
    - April 26<sup>th</sup>. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Virtual offering.
  - June – How to Find Quality Child Care in Hillsdale County
    - June 9<sup>th</sup>. 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Virtual offering.

## 7. Events

- Recap:
- Upcoming:
  - Spring Fling
    - March 22<sup>nd</sup>. 5 – 6 p.m. Drive-thru event.
  - Jonesville Library Family Literacy Night
    - March 31<sup>st</sup>. 5 p.m. In-person offering.
  - Preschool Connect
    - April 11 – 14<sup>th</sup>. Virtual offering.

## 8. Wrap-up & questions (4:20-4:30)

Next Parent Meeting – April 13, 2022

### The Great Start Collaborative Outcomes

- ★ Children are born healthy.
- ★ Children are healthy, thriving and developmentally on track from birth to third grade.
- ★ Children are developmentally ready to succeed in school at time of school entry.
- ★ Children are prepared to succeed in fourth grade and beyond by reading proficiently by the end of third grade.

