

Minutes of the Meeting of the Navarro County Early Childhood Coalition

March 23, 2023 -- 1:00- 3:00 P.M.

Location of Meeting: Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room

Present at Meeting: 21 in Attendance

The meeting was opened by Rachel Gillespie, Program Director

Agenda for Meeting

The agenda for the meeting was distributed earlier through email.

Review of Previous Minutes

No minutes from the previous meeting

Deb T. – Co-Chair - Reviewed the Group Agreements and led an Ice Breaker for the group

Rachel G. Program Director – Reviewed the 2023 Coalition Priorities

RBA Workshop – First 45 minutes of the meeting – broke out into groups

- Results from the Customized Questions section of the EDI was shared

Consideration of Open Issues

Rachel G. – the new priority projects for 2023 were discussed:

Looked at **upcoming events for the Spring:** Child Abuse Prevention Month activities for April.

EDI Gallery Walk at the Warehouse Living Arts Center

Nominations for the Parent Advisory Council

Go Blue Day – send photos to Katy Andrews by April 5th

Positive Childhood Experiences – magnet being printed in English and Spanish

PCE Resource Guide – Draft will go out ASAP

On Going Project Update

Rachel G. – The new LFL was placed at the Salvation Army’s Family Store. WPC has also opened a chapter of **Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library**

Rachel G. - Discussed Bright by Text – currently have 348 families subscribed

Rachel G. – shared that today is our first **Early Childhood Educators meet-up and training** at the Chamber of Commerce Bldg. from 1:00 to 3:00

Rachel G. – shared information about a funding application that was sent in for the Growing Together program that will expand funds for parent groups, coalition work, and connections with child healthcare providers

Upcoming Events for the Summer:

Child Development Days **May** – Language and Communication
July – Surviving the Toddler Years

Dad’s Parent Café – Saturday, June 10th

Summer Movie Night – Thursday, July 20th

A new calendar out for coalition through August

Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

Parent Café – April 13, 2023 - 10:00-12:00 - virtual

Parent Advisory Council – April 3, 2023 – 1:00 – 3:00

Navarro County Early Childhood Coalition – May 25, 2023 – 1:00 – 3:00 – in person

The meeting was adjourned by: Rachel Gillespie

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Wood
