

Minutes of the Meeting of the Navarro County Early Childhood Coalition

May 25, 2023 -- 1:00- 3:00 P.M.

Location of Meeting: Chamber of Commerce Meeting Room

Present at Meeting: 19 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

Rachel G. – Program Director - Reviewed the Group Agreements and led an Ice Breaker for the group

Rachel G. Program Director – Reviewed the 2023 Coalition Priorities

Rachel G. – shared information on the PDG Funding – we received \$200,000.00 extra dollars per year to expand early childhood systems in Navarro County.

There was some discussion on Mom’s and Babies curriculum offered by the Growing Together team.

New LFL going in at Twilight Nursing Home.

RBA Workshop – time was spent updating the RBA scorecards. The plan is to plan lunches with each team this summer.

Ashley P. – gave an update on the Parent Advisory Council. Recently installed new officers and added four new parents to the group.

Consideration of Open Issues

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

Review of the Spring Events included Early Childhood Educators Meet-up, Go Blue Day, EDI Gallery Walk, and the creation of the Positive Childhood Experiences Guides.

Review of the Summer Events which will include the Dad's Parent Café on 6/10, Child Development Day on 7/13, and Summer Movie Night on 7/20.

There was some discussion on expanding our Child Development and Child Safety Days for the Fall.

Upcoming Events for the Summer:

Child Development Days - Thursday, July 13th - Surviving the Toddler Years

Dad's Parent Café – Saturday, June 10th

Summer Movie Night – Thursday, July 20th

Agenda and Time of Next Meetings

Parent Café – June 1, 2023 - 10:00-12:00 - virtual

Parent Advisory Board – June 29, 2023 – 1:00 – 3:00

Navarro County Early Childhood Coalition July 27, 2023 – 1:00 – 3:00 – in person

The meeting was adjourned by: Rachel Gillespie

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Wood
