

Minutes of the Meeting of the Navarro County Early Childhood Coalition

Location of Meeting: Virtual Zoom Meeting – April 7, 2022

Present at Meeting: 24 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

Consideration of Open Issues

Rachel G./Crystal S. – presented an Icebreaker on How is Your Engine Running and Questions on Mentimeter

Linda S., Co-chair – presented a refresh of the Group Agreements.

Went to the Networking Breakout Groups

Marcos Marquez, Clear Impact Consultant – RBA Workshop Time

Health – Rachel – Lorie

Safety/Connection – Shana – Jenny

School Readiness – Lynda – Crystal

The groups worked on Action Plans and Accountability

Lynda/Ashley - gave an update on the new Parent Advisory Council

First Meeting was in March and there are nine parents involved in this group. Also one of the members gave a report from the meeting. The meeting was held at VOICE and they provided child care.

Rachel G. - discussed the progress on the **Early Development Instrument**. There were 667 kindergarteners across Navarro County that were assessed. There will be indicators and maps coming soon.

Rachel G. - discussed and looked at some data on the **Bright by Text** process. Our goal for 2022 is to get to 500 subscribers. We are currently at 235 subscribers. We received some new flyers and posters.

Rachel G./Lynda S. – Reported on the Free Little Library Scavenger Hunt. 62 kids participated in this event and there was a survey and she shared those results. There could be another one in Summer or during Fall break

Rachel G. – discussed events for the Child Abuse Prevention Month. Everyone one was asked to send Katy A. a picture of them in Blue.

Next week we are celebrating CPS and CAC staff through a variety of events, lunch delivery, goody bags, and a training on Developmental Milestones

Rachel G. – Asked for support for the Child Safety Night coming up on April 18th. Need volunteers to help with childcare.

Agenda and Time of Next Meeting

Parent Café – May 5th - 10:00-12:00

Parent Advisory Board – May 2nd - 6:00 – 7:00

Navarro County Early Childhood Coalition – March 26th – 1:00 – 3:00

The meeting was adjourned by: Rachel Gillespie

Minutes submitted by: Barbara Wood
