

CHAPLIN SCHOOL READINESS COUNCIL

| <i>Meeting Notes 10/30/2019</i> | |
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| Present: K. Chavez, W. Rose, C. Gryzwacz, C. Serraso, A. Kramer, T. Monica James, S. Cormier, A. Fournier, K. Henrici | |
| 2:15pm | Introductions were made. |
| 2:20pm | <p>School Readiness Program Update</p> <p>Update was provided by K. Chavez. Changes to the prek program were discussed, moved from half day in one classroom to full day in one classroom. Total of 18 children in the classroom, some are half day. Today was the first one with all children in the big room, revisiting classroom routines and creating the new classroom community. Specials are still occurring in two different groups. Ms. Parker will be supporting the kindergarten classroom.</p> |
| 2:25pm | <p>School Readiness Liaison Report : Angela Fournier</p> <p>Monitoring visit was held on October 16, 2019. No concerns, all paperwork is in order and classroom observation was conducted. Next monitoring visit is in January 2020.</p> <p>State and Regional Liaison meeting information was shared. These meetings are held quarterly and keep liaisons updated on any new policies, initiatives, etc.</p> |
| 2:30pm | <p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose of SR Council: A. Fournier shared the purpose of the SR Council, as outlined in the state legislation. This Council is convened to ensure that programs receiving SR funds are adhering to required policies, and the Council also works to support families, early childhood programs, and children to provide/access quality early care and education. • Required Representation on Council: Each Council is required to have a minimum representation from the local community. This includes early childhood providers, health professionals, homelessness liaison, school district Superintendent, Chief Elected Official, and parents/guardians. Our SR Council has struggled in the past to meet the minimum membership requirements and is actively working to increase membership. |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on School Readiness policies: The Office of Early Childhood is in the process of making policy revisions to some of the state policies. As a result, Chaplin SRC will need to develop and/or update policies to align with the OEC revisions. More info on this will come as it is released from OEC. |
| 2:50pm | <p>Old Business</p> <p>Collaboration with Hampton/Scotland SRC was discussed. Several questions were brought up: What are the major benefits and what are the disadvantages? Can contract be voided if either party desires? What are the advantages and disadvantages of the collaboration? What are the financial benefits of joining the councils together? Quality enhancement? Who represents each of the different positions on the council for Scotland/Hampton? What does Hampton/Scotland SRC see as their benefit in joining the Council together? K. Henrici will reach out to the SR Chairs and set up a meeting to discuss the above, which will be shared at the next SRC meeting.</p> |
| 3:00pm | <p>Any Other Business That Comes Before the Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaboration • Recruitment • Child Care – high school students? |
| 3:05pm | <p>Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items/Adjournment: Wednesday 12/4/2019, time TBD</p> |