

CHAPLIN SCHOOL READINESS COUNCIL

Meeting Notes January 15, 2020 1:00pm

Time	Present: A. Theriault, C. Serrano, S Horning, T. Zuidiema, C Gryzwacz, K Henrici, K Chavez, A Fournier, W Rose
1:00PM	Introductions were made
1:05pm	<p>School Readiness Program Update: Kevin Chavez</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Classroom team is working on NAEYC accreditation process. They have been making adjustments to simplify the classroom environment, revisiting expectations with children and staff, and supporting children in adjusting to the whole group. A lot of growth has been observed. Meal schedule was also changed.
1:10pm	<p>School Readiness Liaison Report : Angela Fournier</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Monitoring forms were reviewed and fiscal monitoring protocol was discussed. A. Fournier will be attending the all state School Readiness meeting in February, where information regarding the 2020-2021 grant will be released. CT received 27M grant to enhance early childhood development, much of the focus will be on birth to three.
1:20pm	<p>Community Reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Eastern Highlands Health District: Flu is at the highest level; it is not too late to get vaccinated. Free radon kits available for families who are interested. American Academy of Pediatrics has an app that helps families figure out screen time and media time for the different ages.Chaplin Public Library: Playgroup is going well. There were 12 participants at last playgroup. Take your child to the library day is on Saturday February 8th. There will be Legos, cookie decorating, valentine decorating. The library also has copies of <u>Gerald McBoing Boing</u> for Dr Suess Day – will be showing movie and giving out books to families that attend.
1:30pm	<p>New Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">School Readiness Grant Request for Proposals process: A. Fournier explained the RFP process. The RFP will be released in February and more information will be shared as it is released.<ul style="list-style-type: none">Planning for 2020 – 2021 School Year: Last year’s grant was discussed. CES requested but was not granted part day slots. Two part day programs can service up to 30 children. Historically there are 8-11 children who do not get preschool services each year (based on pre-registration/screenings that were done in late May)School Readiness reimbursement rate is \$6000 per year per student for SD slot, \$4500 per year per student for part day slots.The School Readiness program is working to ensure adequate

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	<p>planning occurs and that families are kept informed, and can make decisions about their needs (both for their families and for the child's needs). Discussion about benefits to part day programming vs school day programming was held</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A Fournier will communicate to OEC about the feasibility of requesting part day slots this year. ● Monitoring Report: Monitoring occurred on 1/10/2020. All files are in order. Staff development logs need updating and K. Chavez is working on updating the professional development registry. Staff have been working hard to ensure that required trainings have been completed.
1:45pm	<p>Old Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Collaboration with Hampton/Scotland SRC: Follow up discussion from last meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Timeframe: may be too late to join this year. Grant is due in March. ○ Meeting time not flexible. Will remain 4th Tuesday of the month at 6pm if unification occurs. ○ Chaplin will still will need to meet membership requirements. ○ Liaison will be shared between Hampton/Scotland/Chaplin. ○ After discussion, B. Rose made a motion that the Council maintain independence but coordinate training if possible. T. Zuidema Zuidema seconded. Motion carries. ● Policy Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A. Theriault has volunteered to be part of this committee. Angela will send out policy revisions.
2:00pm	Any Other Business That Comes Before the Committee: none at this time
2:00pm	<p>Next Meeting Date & Agenda Items/Adjournment: March 4, 2020 at 2:00pm</p>