

McFerran Early Childhood Family Resource Center Advisory Council Virtual Meeting Minutes May 11, 2022 1:45pm-2:45pm

Meeting slide link:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/15ybWCUw9N5EFSBYACFSsKoOY1a5DS5us9ME_HFM-bDI/edit?usp=sharing

- I. Introduction/Attendance-
 - A. Invited: Cynthia Yongai, Linda Vasquez, Ngongo Mtambala, Tiara Rutledge, Sumaiyah Rahman, Ashley Bethel, Dawn Urrutia, Hannah Stearnss, Direthia Nichols, Andrea Stacy, Andrea Grisby, Aiesha Cole, Rukiya Scott and FRC Rebecca Johns
 - B. Attended: Dawn Urrutia, Rukiya Scott, Diretheia Nichols , Rebecca Johns
- II. Review Action Components
 - A. Health Services
 - 1. UK College of Agriculture will be providing a healthy eating program starting April 19th and will run through May 26th
 - 2. Dental Exams occurred on May 4, 2022. 34 students returned their consent forms for dental exams, 27 attended the exams.
 - B. Preschool Services and After School Childcare
 - 1. Providing summer program information to families as it comes out, including but not limited to Ready 4K camps
 - 2. Providing information for families to enroll their children in Early Childhood for next school year
 - C. Families in training:
 - 1. Held our first Family Engagement Day on 4/29/22 in person. 55 adults representing 42 students attended to participate in Kindergarten Readiness activities provided by Commonwealth Theater.
 - D. Family Literacy-
 - 1. Sending home summer learning packets with all students to help with Kindergarten Readiness skills over summer break
 - E. Educational Enhancement
 - 1. Family Engagement day was held in person
- III. Budget
 - A. Reviewed our annual budget and expenditures since the last meeting
 - 1. Annual Budget \$4,817, Current Budget after expenses: \$3.85
 - 2. No new expenses since last meeting
 - 3. State budget will be providing more funds for FRC, the budget for the 2022-2023 school year is \$9,073
 - 4. Budget link was shared with the committee to review what codes the funds will be put into for next year. ([Click Here](#))
- IV. Commonwealth Theater Kindergarten Readiness Adventure: Dinosaur Dig and Family Engagement Day
 - A. Five classes were scheduled to be seen on April 15th and the other on April 18th
 - B. An in-person Family Engagement day was provided by Commonwealth Theater. They provided construction themed activities for the students and their parents to complete together in order to work on Kindergarten Readiness skills. .

- C. We had 55 adults attend, representing 42 students
 - D. This is a free program for Jefferson County Preschools and is provided through a grant that the Commonwealth Theater applied for earlier this year
- V. University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Food and Environment with Mr. Joel Worth
 - A. On Tuesdays and Thursdays starting on April 19, 2022 through May 26, 2022 Mr. Joel will come to the school to read a book with the students and then make a snack based on the book that was read
 - B. This program was in place for many years prior to COVID and we are very excited to have the opportunity to bring it back. This program not only teaches about nutrition but it also teaches about reading, math and science skills.
 - C. This is a free program, provided by the University of Kentucky College of Agriculture Food and Environment
- VI. Partnership with Kentucky Injury Prevention and Research Center (KiPRC)
 - A. 50 medication lock boxes will be donated to our FRC along with educational materials to provide to families about the importance of keeping medication out of the reach of children.
 - B. Gun locks will also be provided to FRC to give to families in hopes to prevent accidental shootings by young children
 - C. These items will be provided to families at the McFerran ECH Open House.
- VII. Looking forward to next year
 - A. Open House- Still working on getting a date set in stone
 - 1. Families will be able to sign up for the Advisory Council, clothing assistance, obtain medication lock boxes and gun locks, sign consent forms for the Wellness Center, obtain a free cars eat inspection by Nortons and obtain a backpack if needed
 - B. First Day of School for k-12 is August 10, 2022
 - C. First Day of School for Pre-K is August 24, 2022
 - D. First Advisory Council meeting will be September 8, 2022 1:45-2:45pm offered both in person and virtual, will depend on COVID guidelines
 - E. Remainder of meeting dates will be finalized at the first meeting in the fall. Currently considering the 2nd Thursday of each month.
- VIII. Open Discussion
 - A. Georgia's would like to work on scheduling reading books with the students for next year. Maybe have classroom copies or student copies of the books read. Summer Reading program kicks off June 4th, reading log is created to read 10 books, draw a picture and bring it to Georgia's for free sweet treat! Will bring by copies for transition packets.
 - B. Shawnee will be helping with K Camp physicals, immunizations, and dental exams
 - C. Diretheia suggested having a day where students could trade in their book list and get treats at the school to help with accommodating families with transportation issues.
 - D. Diretheia will work with Terri and the CSL team to connect with Ms. Dawn at Georgia's to connect more families throughout the district with her program.
 - E. Rebecca let group know about the ESL books that have arrived along with the books we won from Language Lizard. Looking at using these books not only for Family

Engagement Days to encourage reading but also to put out by our heritage board each month for the kids to see books from various cultures.

Thank you for attending our meeting!