

McFerran Early Childhood Family Resource Center

Advisory Council Virtual Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2022 1:45pm-2:45pm

Meeting slide link:

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1s2pKgzJngn7rsXjIovE-4-8AluwXumsbgr7M06ulQGw/edit?usp=sharing>

- I. Introduction/Attendance- Welcome Back!
 - A. Invited: Cynthia Yongai, Linda Vasquez, Ngongo Mtambala, Tiara Rutledge, Sumaiyah Rahman, Ashley Bethel, Dawn Urrutia, Hannah Stearnss, Direthia Nichols, Andrea Stacy, Andrea Grisby and FRC Rebecca Johns
 - B. Attended: Andrea Girsby, Andrea Stacy, Hannah Stearns, Rebecca Johns
- II. Review Action Components
 - A. Health Services
 - 1. Assisting with COVID protection by providing masks to students, masks were donated
 - 2. Hygiene Donation- \$2,000 worth of hygiene items (including toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, conditioner, bodywash, laundry detergent, fabric softener, nail clippers, nail files, tissues, hand soap, hand sanitizer, sweatpants and drawstring backpacks)
 - 3. Applying for food grant through the International Organization of Foresters to provide 50 families with food over Spring Break
 - 4. Received sponsor for Blessings in Backpack, awaiting number of students to be covered
 - B. Preschool Services
 - 1. Continuing to provide information to families about 4Cs daycare
 - 2. 82% of students going to Kindergarten next year have already applied and registered
 - 3. 11 students received Kindergarten transition backpacks from the District for applying for Kindergarten
 - 4. 2 students won bikes from our FRC for applying for kindergarten, both received their bikes this week.
- III. Action Component #3-Afterschool Childcare
 - A. 9 families identified that they need assistance with childcare after school/ evenings
 - B. Provided families with information to apply for 4Cs.
 - C. Kindergarten Readiness and Countdown to Kindergarten Fair
 - 1. No set date at this time, will share information with families once it is announced
 - 2. Ready 4K Camp dates and registration has not been announced or finalized.
 - a) FRC will work on scheduling doctors to complete school physicals and immunizations at the event along with dental exams if possible.
 - b) FRC is still looking for an organization to provide vision exams at schools.
 - 3. Summer Programs- Information will be provided to families in a newsletter once it is shared with FRC. Due to COVID many organizations do not know if they will be providing summer programs this year.
- IV. Budget
 - A. Reviewed our annual budget and expenditures since the last meeting

1. Annual Budget \$4,817, Current Budget after expenses: \$3,083.50
2. Expenses this month included:
 - a) Farmer Steve- \$475
 - b) Office Supplies- \$ 335.94
 - c) Health Supplies- \$69.71
 - d) Postage -\$58
3. Budget Request: FRC would like to purchase a Rotating Magazine Display for center to hold informational flyers and pamphlets for families. Cost \$211.20

V. CPP- Continuation Program Plan- FRC Grant

- A. Currently working on the CPP for the 2022-2024 school year
- B. Link to review proposed action components for the 2022-2024 grant is
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1q73_yUS6NBNCKKdosVLNpUR-NBnbhlqcls49Q14rQVQ/edit?usp=sharing
- C. The first tab (20-22) has the action components on the current grant, the second tab (22-24) has the action components that FRC has drafted to meet the needs based on data collected, the third tab has the school/community data in which the action components for 22-24 are based upon.

VI. Upcoming Events:

- A. Georgia's Sweet Potato Pie Company 1st Year Anniversary
 1. Georgia's is planning on hosting a Pie Eating Contest in January to help collect books for our students.
 2. In order for a person to enter into the contest they are asked to bring a new or gently used children's book
 3. Accepting books in English along with other languages to help our students not only learn English but also learn their home language to preserve their culture.
- B. Farmer Steve
 1. Currently scheduled for 1/25/22
 2. Received approval from Early Childhood on COVID safety plan for the event
 3. This will expand learning with hands on experience for the Animal Lessons
 4. If we are still on NTI, event will be rescheduled.
 5. For more information about Farmer Steve please visit his facebook page:
<https://www.facebook.com/farmer.steve.942>
- C. Chicks vs Ducks
 1. This is a collaboration between the Jefferson County 4 H program and our school.
 2. Jefferson County 4H will loan our school the supplies needed to hatch both baby chicks and baby ducks at the school.
 3. Once hatched the animals will move to a no kill farm
 4. Health and Safety COVID procedures have been submitted to Early Childhood for approval.
 5. Program is pending COVID and possible NTI.
- D. Community Career Fair
 1. Currently scheduled for March 17, 2022 from 5-7pm
 2. Partnership with McFerran Elementary School FRC

3. Event will be dependent on COVID and we have a contingency date in April 2022 we are waiting on approval for.
4. Once we have the contingency date we will start reaching out to companies to see if they would be interested in participating in the event.

VII. Upcoming Meetings: Next meeting is Feb 10, 2022 1:45pm-2:45pm

VIII. Open Discussion

- A. Ms. Stearns let us know that Shawnee Christian Health is working to set up a telehealth option however at this time that is not set up. Families can still schedule appointments and they are offering COVID testing and vaccinations.
- B. Ms. Stacy and Ms. Stearns discussed how Shawnee Christian Health can be involved in our black history month planning, the focus this year is Health and Wellness.
- C. Discussed wanting to have physical and dental exams to be offered at our summer Ready 4K Camp however due to COVID the district is still working on making their plans and have not sent out dates yet.

Thank you for attending our meeting!