



Ionia County Great Start Collaborative Agenda

3/7/19

12:00 Lunch and Networking

12:30 Full Board Meeting

@ Ionia County Intermediate School District

Present: Wanda Zenk (PSIC), Sally Kapteyn (ICGSC), Melissa Stevens (8 Cap), Jessica Murphy (ICGSC), Molly Perez (The Right Door), Ashley Jory (GSQ), Dale Parus (Ionia Community Library), Ken Bowen (Ionia County Health Dept), Mike Golczynski (Ionia Community Library), Claire Hopkins (RAVE), Kyle Butler (IM SAFE), Lori Kirkoff (IM SAFE)

- I. Welcome & Introduction
- II. Approval of Minutes - *Sally motioned, Ashley seconded*
- III. Presentation: Lori Kirkhoff – Overview of IM SAFE CAC –*see power point*
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Parent Coalition: Jessica Murphy
 - i. *Family Fun Night on February 19th – good turnout, 3 new families*
 - ii. *Strengthening Families Assessment starts on March 16th, will be meeting with a facilitator from ECIC to assess how well the Parent Coalition is promoting the Protective Factors in Ionia County.*
 - iii. *Love & Logic Training March 18th and 25th at Epic Church*
 - b. Early Education & School Advisory: Amy Opperman –
 - i. *Transition to Kindergarten Project, putting the backpacks together at the end of March to be distributed at kindergarten roundups. Meetings to align Preschool and Kindergarten are starting next week.*
 - ii. *Early Childhood info link*
 - iii. *DPIL Quilt Raffle*
 - c. Executive Committee – Molly Perez
 - i. *Putting together a Letter of Intent for Early Childhood Programs funding, following the new guidelines set out by the State. Look for the information soon.*
 - d. Family Support and Wellness- Wanda Zenk
 - i. *Diaper Drive through March (see flyer)*
 - ii. *Transportation Barriers Project gas cards and tokens available to help families get to appointments.*
 - iii. *Spring into Safety scheduled May 11th (see flyer)*
- V. Director Report – Sally Kapteyn

- a. *Welcome Home Baby Packs – Partnering with ICAN to distribute pack and plays and safe sleep information*
- b. *Conscious Discipline Training was well attended, some funding to do more, will let SRAC decide what to do with that.*
- c. *Human Trafficking Training put on this past Tuesday with the Health Department, ICSAI, RAVE etc., very well attended. (see handout).*
- d. *IC STARRS (Ionia County Supporting Trauma Awareness Responsiveness, Resources trauma group is putting out a needs assessment and will be starting to do presentations on trauma in the near future.*
- e. *Will be providing funding to local libraries to put on different activities.*
- f. *Lots of changing coming up in Childcare in the State.*
 - i. *Great Start to Quality Grant to simplify rating systems.*
 - ii. *Early Childhood Support Networks (regional), technical assistance, and oversee Resource Center work.*
 - iii. *Shared Services grant through Kellogg.*
 - iv. *And Preschool Planning Federal Grant.*

VI. Round Table Updates

- a. *Wanda – PSIC - Love for Life Banquet April 25th 6 PM, Marilyn Danielson keynote, Trapshooting event in September, working on a postcard mailer in April to target clients*
- b. *Melissa – 8 Cap – Starting to recruit for Preschools for the 19-20 school year*
- c. *Molly – The Right Door - starting a Trauma Informed Parenting Group tonight. Repeating some of the January Gatherings Presentations in the coming months. Home based teams hosting a skating night.*
- d. *Ashley – GSQ - Lots of changes coming. Learning Lab for MIregistry on April 9th for childcare providers*
- e. *Dale Parus – Ionia Community Library – Mike wrote a grant for some STEM kits. Working on putting together another push for funding to get the space they need. Storywalk has been put on hiatus, Dale will be talking to the other libraries to get it going again.*
- f. *Ken – Ionia County Health Dept - Next birthing class March Saturday from 9-3*
 - i. *Next big training, Drug Trends September 16th*
- g. *Claire – RAVE - hired a sexual assault therapist, serving both Ionia and Montcalm, corks and kegs fundraiser May 17th, April 28th No defense to Self Defense 2-6 at Freedom Acres*

VII. Calendar updates - See Calendar for upcoming events and trainings <http://www.greatstartionia.org/news-events/>

Next Meeting Date: May 2, 2019