Bristol School Readiness Council Minutes

October 3, 2012

Present:
Sue Moreau (Co-Chair) William Brownstein – (Co-Chair) , Anne Gobes (BOE), Donna Osuch (United Way), Laura Watson (Parent) Linda Rich (FRC), Rita Gerzanick (Comm. Rep) , Kim Carmelich (Parent and Child Center) Dave Mills (City Council) Karen Lombardi (WIC), Cathy Plourde (BBHD) Valerie Pelletier (HS)

Excused: Jessica Dolan (BHA), Valerie Toner (Library), Linda Rosado (Tunxis), Marci Arroyo (Wheeler Clinic), Coral Richardson (Providers),

Ex-Officio- Mayor Art Ward, Superintendent Ellen Solek

Present Non-Members: Allyson Schulz, Robyn L. Bugbee, Hope Helvie, Eileen McNulty, Bill Fitzgerald, Rachael D’Agostine, Rebecca Tuttle, Susan Harrington

Mary-Alice Petrucelli-Timek- School Readiness Grant Manager

The meeting was called to order at 12:12:25 by Co-Chair Brownstein

• A motion was made to accept the September 5th minutes – motion seconded /passed

Program Quality- Rita Gerzanick
Committee met on September 11th and discussed the following items:
- The Finance sub-committee will consist of Sheena Williams and Jean Madden-Hennessey- they will meet with Programs in the upcoming month.
- Review of Consultants Plans.
INPLC submitted their written Plan – BPCCC and BOE are still working on theirs with Consultants
We have been made aware of additional funds of $5,500 to be used for a big community event.
- Electronic Portfolios- AFP indicated that Provider Portfolio should now be electronic- but classroom can be a hybrid – some electronic and some paper.
- QRIS- quality rating system –still in conversation- Governor expected it would be completed in September
- Next SRC Council- Anne and Mary-Alice will do a presentation regarding the journey from Lesson Plans to Early Learning Experience Plans
Director’s Forum meeting to be held October 25th @ Library
Next meeting November 13, 2012

**Health Committee- Cathy Plourde –Chairperson**
Update on Kern Park Project- Ivy Drive
Central Regional Planning Committee has an interest in trying to find to find grant money-
suggestion to contact Bike,Walk ,CT
Orange Nose Day- October 5, 2012 – activities throughout the City- Preschools, Elementary
Schools, Youth Services, Libraries, Shop Rite, Parent Child Center, WIC, Museums, to name a
few.
Tunxis Community College dental hygienist students visiting preschools during October.

**Governance Committee- Bill Brownstein M.D.**
The Governance Committee will be meeting to review and re-write policies for the new fee schedule.

**Community Outreach- Laura Watson**
Committee met on September 18th.
BEHS Project first video is up on Face book- the others will be placed shortly- and also be updated to
You Tube.
We had a viewing by parents at INPLC and are waiting for feedback.
Appetite for Reading- 2 additional sites: the waiting room outside of Parent and Child Center/WIC and
the “Kindergarten Here I come “exhibit.
All sites are successful.
Outreach Representation @ Family Fun Day in Terryville and at the Mum Fest-

**Grant Manager’s Report**
**Update SDE-**
- Early Childhood Planning Office – parent survey-
They are drilling down on what Early Childhood funding/Programs should look like in the future.
We will be able to get community information submitted by Bristol.
- SDE is looking to uniform monitoring forms for all SR Liaisons- for monitoring visits
- Message from Myra Jones-Taylor for the EC Planning Director’s Notes.
The basic framework for a coordinated comprehensive early childhood system in now in view.
Governor Malloy has given Planning Office a hard January 2013 deadline to produce the framework
for CT Tiered Quality Rating and Improvement system.
Plans for strengthening CT program monitoring system working with DPH

*A motion was made to have School Readiness Grant Manager to sign a Collaborate Agreement with
Head Start. Motion seconded /passed*

**Upcoming Community Events**
**New England Carousel Museum**- Open house for Educators- October 11th 3:30-6:30
**Director’s Forum** – October 25th 12:-1:30
**Preschool Fair**- November 7, 2012
Quality Enhancement Grant-
Community RFP was submitted SDE on September 20th

Provider’s Report
BPCCC – 85 FD/FY out of 106 FD/FY
INPLC- 103 FD/FY out of 103 FD/FY (capacity)
BOE – 120 PD/PY out of 120 PD/PY (capacity)

Monitoring visits Reports:
No report

Resignations
none
Appointments
none
Old Business
none
New Business
none
Meeting Adjourned @ 1:00

Next Meeting: November 7, 2012
Respectfully Submitted

Mary-Alice Petrucelli-Timek
School Readiness Grant Manager