

Judy Center Steering/TECAC Meeting Minutes Committee Members & Contacts

Date: January 18th, 2023

Location: TCEC Room 3

<p><b>Amy Walstrum</b> Talbot County Public Schools Early Childhood Curriculum &amp; Judy Center Supervisor TECAC Co-Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Blueprint update - pulling together a draft plan this month with Kristin Tilgham, will review with Pillar 1 Steering Committee beginning of Feb., will present the draft at next steering meeting for feedback, priorities are 3yo programming, private providers, data &amp; accreditation</li> <li>● Plan to review KRA data in Feb.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Michelle Steelman</b> Talbot County Public Schools TECAC Co-Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Referrals at a lull. Good time to make a referral.</li> <li>● Going to DSS in February to speak about I&amp;T to discuss the referral process. Looking to increase referrals &amp; partnership.</li> <li>● Staff is interested in home visit safety training. Asked DSS if they have any offerings or could partner.</li> <li>●</li> </ul>
<p><b>Dina Myers</b> Talbot County Public Schools TECAC Co-Chair</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Increase outreach to families with children 0-3, prior care, if there is a gap we are going to try to figure out how to fill it.</li> <li>● Relationship with Interfaith Shelter has been growing with connecting families to resources.</li> <li>● Using playgroups to provide services, such an important strategy.</li> <li>● JC Mid-Year Report due on Jan. 31st; Thank you to those who have shared data/info! May be reaching out to others for additional info/#s</li> <li>● Will share mid-year report data in Feb.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Deborah Short</b> BAMM Director</p>	
<p><b>Brenda Harrocks</b> Chesapeake College Adult Education Program Administrator</p>	<p>*Shared by Dina &amp; Denise*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● ESL winter session - M &amp; W nights at EES 6:30 - 9:00, JC provides meals &amp; childcare, increased from 8 children to 13 children, Adults can register for ESL classes at Ches. College; Maria Delgado will help families register for childcare, any family living in Easton with children ages</li> </ul>

		<p>2-Kindergarten are eligible; Dina will send out the updated flyer in Eng. &amp; Span.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chesapeake College - From July 1-Jan, 14 students enrolled in ABE; 114 students enrolled in ESL; very grateful for the partnership</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Denise Taylor-Turner</b> Chesapeake College Project Right Steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Thursday of the month - Free professional learning opportunity for childcare - virtual 6:30pm - 9:30pm; Register through Chesapeake College, Michelle Hall provides training, COKs are offered, Community of Practice follow up with Sarah Ross</li> <li>Donna Berger - working to enroll childcare providers; CCPDF - program fully paid for through the fund, level 2 credential required to participate</li> <li>Ches. College was awarded Maryland Rebuilds Grant - Sara Ross - focus on workforce development</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Ingrid Diaz Lopez</b> Hispanic Outreach Coordinator &amp; Community Liaison Chesapeake Mult-Cultural Resource Center <b>Proxy: Jackie Reyes/Estela Vianey Ramirez/Matthew Peters</b></p>	<p>Ingrid unable to attend.</p>
	<p><b>Kim Fitzgerald</b> Choptank Community Health Services CRNP, Family Nurse Practitioner</p>	
	<p><b>Cristy Morrell</b> Critchlow Adkins Children's Centers Executive Director</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using UMD curriculum with 3s &amp; 4s classes in all sites, huge lift for teachers, extensive training.</li> <li>Applied for a Maryland Rebuild Grant for preschool site, 4 yo program Center of Excellence, awarded grant if they pass interview process.</li> <li>Suggesting for a Supervisor to take over for the certified staff.</li> <li>Imagination Library - registrations have declined, please include in your registration if parent speaks another language, we will be celebrating 10 years - planning a celebration at the library</li> </ul>
	<p><b>Wendy Deale</b> Early Head Start</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reviewed eligibility process for families</li> </ul>

<p><b>Lynne Doeler/Leslie Sinclair</b>  Eastern Shore Child Care Resource Center @ SU  Training Coordinator/Early Childhood Coach/ Director</p>	<p>Lynne unable to attend, but reached out.</p>
<p><b>Nicole Chase</b>  Healthy Families Mid-Shore  Program Manager</p>	
<p><b>Natasha Washington</b>  Judy Center Early Learning Hub at Easton &amp; St. Michaels  Home Visitor</p>	
<p><b>Summer Moore</b>  Judy Center Early Learning Hub at Easton Elementary School  Family Service Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Playgroup on Thursday at EES at 10:30 in Judy Center space.</li> <li>● Participated in Coffee hour w/ELL families at EES before the break - 7 new JC referrals, &amp; 3 ILTC referrals as a result.</li> <li>● Provided PreK assembly: "Reptile Man"</li> </ul>
<p><b>Lori Julian</b>  Judy Center Early Learning Hub at St. Michaels  Site Coordinator</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● New Site Coordinator - introduced herself</li> <li>● Focusing on the year-long transition - getting families comfortable with being in the school.</li> <li>● There is a space requirement. There must be space for office and classroom space. SMES does not have a space. Would like to partner with CACC on space. Cristy - Reach out to Marlene Thomas to discuss space. Note: meeting held on 1/23/23</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tonette Gibson/Jocelyn Felix</b>  Kidz Learning Through Play Family Daycare, LLC.  Owner/Director/Administrator</p>	<p>Couldn't attend due to coverage issues.</p>
<p><b>Jennifer Neithercott</b>  Maryland Coalition of Families  Family Peer Support Specialist</p>	
<p><b>Charlene Copper-Pierce</b>  Mid Shore Early Learning Center  Director</p>	<p>Couldn't attend due to coverage issues.</p>

<p><b>Mary Beth Johnson</b> MSDE Office of Childcare Quality Assurance Specialist Maryland EXCELS/Division of Early Childhood</p>	<p>Asked clarifying questions about ShoreUP! and Early Head Start programming. The difference between the 2 was discussed.</p>
<p><b>Sandy Klunk</b> MSDE Office of Childcare Regional Manager</p>	
<p><b>Dawn Phillips/Marilyn Neal</b> Neighborhood Service Center 2 Gen Case Manager Career Pathways/Director</p>	<p>Unable to attend.</p>
<p><b>Gloria Palmer</b> Palmer's Heavenly Hearts Owner/Director</p>	
<p><b>Kimberly Blake</b> Shore Up! Inc. Site Coordinator of Easton &amp; St. Michaels</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● New Site Coordinator introduced herself.</li> <li>● Open enrollment now, taking 2 year olds, will hold them as long as we can if turn 3, looking to open a classroom - staff is an issue</li> <li>● Expressed desire to be involved in all Judy Center meetings &amp; joint service meetings, etc.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Lynne Diefenderfer</b> Talbot County Child Care Association &amp; Licensed family provider <b>President &amp; Owner</b></p>	
<p><b>Nikki Robey</b> Talbot County Department of Social Services In-Home Services Supervisor</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will look into home visiting training or I&amp;Ts and JC staff.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Laura Powell/Diana Hastings</b> TCFL</p>	
<p><b>Dr. Indra Bullock/Susie Shafer</b> Talbot County Public Schools Principal/Asst. Principal St. Michaels Elem. School</p>	

<p><b>Dr. Sharon Pepukayi</b> Talbot County Public Schools Superintendent of Schools</p>	
<p><b>Katie Fox</b> Talbot County Public Schools Community Schools Program Manager at Easton Elementary School</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Community school committee meeting last week, big decision-makers at the table.</li> <li>● Students in 4t &amp; 5th grade to be surveyed. IAs surveyed.</li> <li>● Every person in the community will be able to give feedback. It's a matter of figuring out how to give all community groups access.</li> <li>● Talbot Healthy Family guides (created by TFN) have been very helpful.</li> <li>● Community garden starting up with many community partnerships - CACC, SNAPEd, Teachers, etc.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Kristen Tilghman</b> Talbot County Public Schools Blueprint Implementation Coordinator</p>	
<p><b>Laura Holmes</b> Talbot County Public Schools Early Childhood Literacy Coach</p>	<p>Unable to attend.</p>
<p><b>Dr. Devaric/Lindsey Higginbottom</b> Talbot County Public Schools Principal/Asst. Principal Easton Elementary School</p>	<p>Sent Katie Fox as a proxy.</p>
<p><b>Nancy Andrew</b> Talbot Family Network Executive Director</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Community assessments and data gathering. Willing to work together with other agencies.</li> <li>● Last survey - noticing that families with younger children have needs.</li> <li>● Will be reaching out to do some asset mapping.</li> <li>● Hosting Conversation on Race Jan. 26th, 5:30 - 7:30, there is a registration available, open to anyone, Nancy will send out; different topic each month, incorporating other organizations.</li> <li>● Equity Coalition - looking to help facilitate equity work that is happening in other agencies. 4 meetings - once a month until July.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Factuality - training/program - game-based format, blends in history, great intro.</li> <li>● Film - Race to be Human available through June</li> <li>● Some other Counties hold "Vendor Meetings." Could be helpful for us to participate in moving forward.</li> </ul>
<b>Nate Bratko</b> UMD Snap Ed Extension Office Program Coordinator	
<b>Lori Hammond</b> YMCA Lead Membership Staff	
<b>Rachael Crawford</b> Talbot County Health Department Maternal Child Health Nurse	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● New position, introduced herself.</li> <li>● She is a referral resource as she works with families dealing w/ substance abuse.</li> <li>● Working to set up partnerships.</li> <li>● Excited to collaborate.</li> </ul>
<b>Additional Meeting Discussions</b>	Next Meeting: <b>Wednesday, February 15th @ 9:00am at TCEC Room 1</b> Amy to discuss Blueprint Pillar 1 & KRA data; Dina & Lori to share mid-year report data