

MINUTES
Marshfield Early Childhood Advisory Council

Date: January 25, 2023

Location: Remote Meeting via Zoom

Time: 4:00 PM

Present: Amy Carter (Outreach Coordinator), Marie Miller (MPSD Kindergarten Teacher, retired), Lynn Neacy (EC MPSD), Susan West (BID Family Education), Pam Smith (MPSD PK Sped Teacher), Lakia Small (JRI), Wendy Gardner-Breindel (Ventress Library), Meghan Richardson (MPSD PF Sped Teacher), Kathleen McGinity (Health Imperatives), Annie Violissi (MPSD Kindergarten Teacher)

A motion was made to approve the minutes for 11/30/2022. The minutes were approved.

During agency updates, Lynn announced that there would be two locations for the integrated preschool next year, DWS and the new building on Furnace St. Wendy stated that the library is supposed to reopen on 2/13/23.

Pam Smith and Megan Richardson, both special ed preschool teachers, shared slides about early childhood screenings and explained the process of referring a child and what to expect during a screening.

Amy Carter shared slides from the Boston Children's Museum, outlining the pop up kindergarten classrooms they recommend for kindergarten transition events. Wendy offered to book the library on March 11, 2023 for our upcoming kindergarten transition event. It was discussed that we will have kindergarten teachers at the event to answer parent questions and we would also have kindergarten manipulatives set up for children to play with. Amy Carter will create flyers for the event. Annie Violissi, a kindergarten teacher at Eames Way will reach out to kindergarten teachers to see if any were interested in helping at the event.

Next meeting to be March 2, 2023 at 6:00 pm at the Ventress Library.

Meeting Adjourned.