

## MINUTES

### MInutes Marshfield Early Childhood Advisory Council

Date: November 30, 2022

Location: Ventress Library and Zoom

Time: 4:00 PM

Present: Amy Carter (Outreach Coordinator), Marie Miller (MPSD Kindergarten Teacher, retired), Dotti McDevitt (CCCAC), Courtney Coutts (EC MPSD), Susan West (BID Family Education), Pam Smith (MPSD PK Sped Teacher), Lakia Small (JRI), Sandy Kozlowsky (Pudding Hill), Wendy Gardner-Breindel (Ventress Library), Liz Hartigan (S.S. Early Action), Danielle Giddings (parent and Steeple School Teacher), Leah Smith (KDC EI), Kathleen Dibona (Blue Hills Healthy Family), Jill Leahy (Beansprout University) and Karen Lincoln (Head Start).

A motion was made to approve the minutes for 6/8/2022. The minutes were approved.

A motion was made to approve the minutes for 9/28/22. The minutes were approved.

During agency updates, Wendy Gardner-Breindel let everyone know that the library would be closing in December and was tentatively set to reopen in February.

Amy Carter shared slides with the council outlining the agenda, introductions, and about partnering with families to identify and plan engagement opportunities.

Amy Carter, Outreach Coordinator, discussed the Kindergarten Transition Event and asked for input from the council. Marie Miller spoke about what they have done in the past. Last year, they had a Zoom presentation that included a slideshow that reviews the kindergarten screening and what the school day looks like.

The council was in agreement that it would be beneficial to find out what questions parents have about kindergarten and then create a Q & A that answers these questions. Wendy Gardner-Breindel offered the library as a location to hold a kindergarten transition event, possibly in March. It was discussed that having a handout promoting the kindergarten transition event as a part of the kindergarten registration would be a good way to get information out to all families. It was brought up that having someone who speaks Portuguese at the kindergarten transition event would be useful.

Marie Miller is going to share the slides used in previous years with Amy Carter. We will finalize dates for the Kindergarten event at the next meeting.

Next meeting to be January 25, 2023 at 4:00 via Zoom.

Meeting Adjourned.