

**Jackson Quality Preschool GSRP Meeting
Minutes –January 15, 2016
1:00-3:00 p.m.**

INTRODUCTIONS: Susan opened the meeting hoping all enjoyed the soup and salad from the Oak Tree catering.

Present:

ABC Academy: Kathy Hoszkiw, Kim St. Charles, Andrea McCabe

CAA: Elizabeth McClain, Kristin Klug, Jackie Barber

Columbia: May Anne Edwards, April Brownlee, Deb Powell

daVinci: Kristi Neelis

Early Impressions: Angela Mentink

Grass Lake: Lynne Gatz, Ashley Friedland

Lil Kiddos: Tiffany Schirmacher

Little Rainbows: Allison Trapp, Kim Kloack

Michigan Center: Kim Trudell

Napoleon- Jennifer Snyder, Michelle Ault

Napoleon-Pirates Cove Preschool:

Northwest- Amy Marrison, Lisa Peterson

Phoenix: Lisa Hunt

Springport: Laura Tenney, Janis Sanford

St. Mary's:

Vandercook Lake: Danielle Casto

Western: Jessica Crupi, Amber Casselberry, Jared Vickers

JCISD: Susan Townsend, Brenda Davis, Kelly Sheppard, Kelly Friedland, Lauren Bailey, Sheley Bess, Jean Allison, Brenda Webster, Mary Belknap

**CONNECTOR ACTIVITY: Jean
“Going to the Movies”**

REVIEW OF MINUTES FROM Nov. 2015 MEETING

Motion to approve: Mary Belknap

Seconded: Laura Tenney

Approved

BUDGET

- **Timely Invoicing** - Lauren reviewed process. Remind your finance departments to please not stockpile invoicing. The carryover rule will apply this year.
- **Inventory Lists** - Lists should be made, submit with your invoice next month (2-10-16)
- **Budget Amendments**- will open in February, will be a short (2 week) window, watch for updates. Susan assured that everyone is in the same position on this, painful process with deadlines, but must be done.

CONTRACTS & POLICIES

- **Administrative Policy & Procedures Manual Status** - Susan reviewed the ever changing components. It will go to print soon.
- **Teacher Certification** - From Liz and Susan, thank you for working so diligently on this. Process and importance reviewed, cooperation greatly appreciated.

DATA DIG

- **PALS Countywide Data** (Phonological Awareness and Literacy Skills) Kelly Sheppard reviewed the process. A rise is seen in the number of children that have met or exceeded the minimum requirements. What can we do to support additional increase in scores?

- **Brainstorm Ideas:**

Susan reviewed **KEA**, it is not going away. Data is a fact, it is not a judgement or criticism.

Brenda Davis presented some practice pages currently in use. (Individual rhyme awareness and lowercase vs uppercase recognition testing demonstrated)

Grapeseed Pilots- Jackson is approved by MDE, and programs are running. Data will be compiled and shared with MDE, hope to expand in future.

Professional Learning ideas: PALS Awareness, KEA Awareness, Integrate literacy pieces into transition times. Collaborate with high scoring sites and share teaching strategies. Intentional integration of what content is allowed to target literacy skills.

Anything else you may think of, please share with your ECS, or email ideas to susan.townsend@jcisd.org or kelly.sheppard@jcisd.org

STATE UPDATES-Kelly Sheppard &/or Susan Townsend

- **MDE ECC Conference Call Updates** - no updates at this time
- **MAISA ECAN Network Meeting** - no updates at this time

ECS UPDATE- Sheley and Jean - See ECS Report - (handouts. see these for complete information)

PQA A & B data and survey results reviewed.

Carryover and purchases reviewed. Quality, durability, justification, etc.

Teacher staff, compliance, updates, professional memberships reviewed.

Home brain-building with no professional tools discussed. See link on handout.

TEACH applications, funding, infant and toddler funds specific must be used.

PQA scores improved, congratulations for jobs well done.

DATA UPDATES & CENTRAL REGISTRY

- **Spring Count** - Kelly Friedland: 2-10-2016 cutoff date for GSRP enrollment. Must have enrollments updated in Child Plus by Friday 1-22-2016.

- **Interest Form Review and Case Scenarios** - Kelly Sheppard: no new forms to be completed until a date (tba) in February. Collaborative and joint ventures, marketing materials to come. Families that have already completed a form for fall will be corrected here, they do not even need to know that the wrong form was completed.

Balanced Calendar discussion: History of school start dates reviewed, Jackson County has been looking at the pros and cons for past two years, we have been approved to start school prior to Labor Day 2016, but no definite plan has been decided. How does all of this fit in Early Childhood schedules and grants? More info to come.

GSRP now has an email address, posted on the website. Improved source of communication with families.

Case Scenarios (handout) by group input is written on master (group) form. Gallery walk to view all ideas.

Discussion will continue in next sessions.

KEA ASSESSMENT UPDATES - as previously noted

KINDERGARTEN START DATE & WAIVERS - Susan: 9-1-16 Kindergarten start date. Law has not been amended, and waivers are still allowed (*until amendment takes place*)
More to come.

C2C

SCHOOL READINESS COMMITTEE STATUS & NEWS - Susan: Early Childhood Task Force has been newly developed and is working on developing principals of literacy components. Experts across the state are collectively working together. **Kindergarten readiness** and bridging the gap between preschool and kindergarten is currently being discussed in many groups.

INDIVIDUAL REPORTS

Other: "Intake form" is re-named "Interest form"

NEXT MEETING: February 19, 2016 from 1:00-3:00.

Add **Trenda Data** to next month agenda
Add **Case Scenarios (continued)** to next month

