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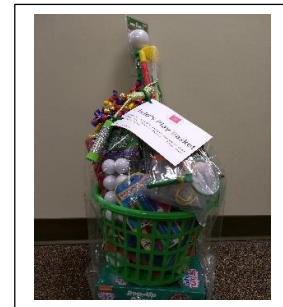
Bristol Board of Education Room – Room #36

Members Present: Nydia Dominguez, Maureen Eaton, Linda Ivey, Lauren Kittle, Donna Koser, Sarah Larson, Karen Lombardi, Alyssa McGhee, Donna Osuch, Mary Alice Petrucelli-Timek, Coral Richardson, Amanda Sawyer, Valerie Toner, Melissa Volpe, Rebecca Rossi

Start Ups/Welcome: Lauren & Maureen welcomed everyone to the meeting. All present were asked to introduce themselves along with what organization they represented.

Community Outreach:

Thank you to all who donated items for the UWWCC Golf Outing raffle August was a busy month with several great events. Parent Leadership RFP is out and the United has plans to apply.



Caplan Grant: A letter of intent is due on January 31, 2020. MaryAlice will announce the next meeting date as soon as it has been scheduled.

Subcommittees:

Infant & Toddler – The committee has not met since June. Amanda invited those who may be interested in the Infant & Toddler’s speaker: Colleen Brunetti is the children’s book author of Aiden the Wonder Kid (A food allergy and intolerance story).

Health – The committee has not met since June. Orange Nose Day and Trunk or Treat is planned for October.

Transition to Kindergarten (T/K) – Has not met since June. At the upcoming meeting, the committee will be discussing One Night One Purpose and the feedback that has been gathered to date. A survey will be out soon to this year’s Kindergarten parents/guardians to receive additional feedback for the committee. The Firetruck ride was a success. Beth Bye shared data at the recently held ECE Conference. The committee will be looking into where this data was accessed and who reported it to the state. There was a significant drop in those who received a quality preschool experience and the committee feels that it may be inaccurate.

Prenatal to Birth Work: Bristol’s Babies Bridge to Literacy. On September 26, “TAD TALKS” (a presentation by Dr. Bartles (retired eye doctor), will provide information around the handheld devices and blue lights from the devices and the effects to the eyes and brain. A letter has been sent to the Friends of the Library to see if it was possible to send families of newborns born in Bristol to the library for a copy of *I Love You Like Sunshine* at the library.

Community Sharing/Upcoming Events/Meetings:

HHC – Linda reminded everyone that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Park & Rec – Program registration is open. New this fall will be art programs tailored to preschool & Teen Night at Paige Park. This Saturday there is a ribbon cutting ceremony for “Rec & Reads”, new outdoor bookshelves at Rockwell Park.

Wheeler – Child First referrals for programs are requested as they continuously take on new children.

Wheeler – ECCP offering consultant/prevention services for Birth to age 5 with behavioral and social emotional concerns. Service is available in the classroom or in the home. More assistants have been hired.

Carousel Museum – New Home School Program for 5 to 8 years has sold out. There is still room for the 8 to 12 year olds. There are several upcoming concerts, parties and tours scheduled.

Mary-Alice – The Endowment has offered a raffle. \$20.00 per ticket for a weekend away in New Hampshire will continue for two weeks. The weekend will be October 18, 19 and 20.

Bristol Library – The September Calendar is out. There are lots of activities planned. Story times are scheduled to begin in October.

FAVOR – The Central Region Network of Care meeting is open to anyone who is interested. There is also a Persuasive Storytelling and other great programs that FAVOR can provide.

Imagination – The Museum is currently closed and will open on the 11th. New air-conditioning has been installed. October is the “Kiss a Pig Contest”.

Parent & Child Ctr. – The Center offers a variety of supports to families, including several playgroups, moms and dads group and more. New to the Center is a specific group targeted to the unique parenting of Foster care and Adoption. The Caring Closet is available to provide basic needs of formula, diapers, wipes and clothing. Currently, the center is offering extra food vouchers of \$3. To \$5.00 through the Bristol-Burlington Health Dept. through October. The center will be represented in a free food truck event for fathers. Last year there were approximately 800 families in attendance.

United Way – Currently collecting gently used shoes through October. The Sparkler grant was awarded to the Bristol community. The Parent & Child Center and the FRC will receive a third of the dollar amount that was awarded to work with families and the app. Additional money will be used for incentives and coordination. Training is forthcoming.

Main St. Community Foundation - Several grant options are available. The grant for the Boy’s and Men’s grant is due on Friday and the Women’s and Girls grant is due on the 13th. For agencies who serve other communities outside of Bristol, the Burlington Community Fund and Barnes Memorial Trust Fund in Southington are open.

Next meeting October 2, 2019 - 11:00 Rm 36 @ BOE 129 Church Street