

School Readiness Advisory Committee

Minutes for Sept. 20, 2018

Members Present: Michelle Nicholson, Kim Fiebernitz, Nicole Greiter, Corrie Mervyn, Marisela Garza, Mary Jo Wegenke, Gloria Sabourin, and Jamie Yeomans

Opening: May 2018 minutes were approved.

PreK Experience Form: Reviewed the PreK Experience form that was updated Feb. 2018. Some concern was expressed that parents filling out the form may not know the names of the programs their child attended, especially when publically funded. Corrie and Michelle will share with Curriculum Directors for feedback on information they already gather, as well as what information on the form they find most useful. The workgroup agreed that we want to gather data on previous preschool experience, more conversation will occur to determine the best way to proceed.

PreK Essential Instructional Practices in Early

Literacy: Applications for trainers have been submitted. The Ingham ISD is waiting to hear who will be participants in the Train the Trainer series in Nov. and Dec. To review modules, go to literacyessentials.org website. Further discussion will occur to determine how to make this training public.

Program Quality Assessment Tool – Revised (PQA-R):

The Ingham ISD will be training GSRP classrooms initially. Later on, Headstart and Community Childcare programs will be trained. This revision will focus more on instructional practices.

Ingham Early Learning Calendar: There are still calendars available. We have a small quantity of translated calendars available. These are primarily getting distributed through Lansing School District's Cultural Brokers.

We discussed the need to revise and reprint the Early Learning Calendar. Minor changes were made to the monthly themes and resources. The Lansing Cultural Brokers did not recommend any changes to the calendar. In order to know how many to order, we need the SRAC members to follow-up with their original Tier 3 agencies to get us the numbers of calendars that are needed. Here is the list of agencies and contact people: Shared Pregnancy (Jessica/Effie), Stepping Up Together (Wendy), MSU SPOM (Gloria), Head Start Dad's Group (Lucy), Grand River WIC (Lucy), Home-based childcare programs/DHS registered (Corrie), Family Growth Center (Michelle), LLG Home Visit Programs (Michelle). Please email Michelle with the numbers that your agency reports needing by October 15th so that we can get our reprint order finalized.

Michelle shared the Kindergarten- First Grade calendar draft. This will be completed soon, translated and printed once funds are made available.

GSRP Responsibilities: See PQA-R and PreK Essential Instructional Practices.

MI Registry: Moved to Nov. meeting.

Closing: Next meeting is scheduled for **Nov. 15, 2018** from **4:00 – 6:00 pm.** Location **TBD.**