

Ingham Great Start Collaborative

Our vision: Every child is ready to succeed in school and life.

Ingham GSC Meeting Notes, February 15, 2017, 1:00 – 3:30 pm

LOCATION: Grace United Methodist Church - 1900 Boston Blvd., Lansing

I. Welcome and Working Agreements

Chair: Corrie Mervyn Time Keeper: Barb Monroe

Present: Effie Alofoje-Carr-LLG Coordinator & Parent, Jessica Baker-Parent, Barbara Ball-McClure-MSU College of Human Medicine, Karen Batterham-DHHS, Wendy Boyce-Ingham ISD, Lisa Chambers-ICHHD, Dorothy Cooks-Ingham ISD/GPGS, Kristen Donnelly-IHP/Carehub, Fran Jozefowicz-CMH, Lauren Kirk-CARE, Scott Koenigs knecht-Ingham ISD, Lucy McClintic-CACS Head Start, Corrie Mervyn-Ingham ISD, Barb Monroe-OYC Central Resource Center, Michelle Nicholson-Ingham ISD/Early On, Robin Pizzo-LCC CCAMPIS, Sarah Riggs-Parent, Rich Smith-DRM Home Health Care, Thais Rousseau-CADL, Nola Schramm-ICHHD NFP

Approval of 2/15/17 Meeting Agenda and 1/18/17 Meeting Notes – Upon receiving additional information at the ABLe Change Training on February 8 and 9, GSC staff recognized that today's process of sorting the data and creating Labels and Goal Descriptors will most likely take longer than the agenda currently permits. Target Group work will be moved to a future meeting to allow for the additional time needed.

II. Inclusion Activity – Parent Café Question

Today's Parent Café question was from "Concrete Support in Times of Need" Protective Factor - *"What needs do families have that, if fulfilled, would help them work with their children to improve their children's academic achievement?"* Responses included:

- Basic needs like transportation
- Scheduling a time every day (after dinner/bath) to focus on child only and do activities like reading
- Feeling comfortable in education setting to discuss needs of child and work together with teachers
- Education system having an open-door policy that allows for family engagement
- Knowing about resources and feeling comfortable navigating resources (i.e. filling out paperwork)
- Having ESL services so that families wouldn't need to put responsibility of interpreting on older children

III. System Scan Update

Hybrid System Scan - The Strategic Planning process Ingham GSC is currently going through may look different from the Strategic Planning process used in 2014. Coaching and TA have supported that collecting qualitative data is not about quantity of system scans, but about gaining understanding of the current conditions of the early childhood system. Additional data collection may occur through family surveys, and by conducting root cause analysis with groups who may have an additional perspective to gain a better understanding of the "why."

Outcome 4 System Scan – Two possible opportunities for conducting a system scan on Outcome 4 will be occurring in the next several weeks—Ingham ISD Curriculum Directors' meeting on March 1, and a County-wide Literacy Steering Committee meeting scheduled for later in March. Data collected from upcoming system scans will be shared with the GSC; and a process similar to the process used for Outcomes 1, 2, and 3 will be used to analyze the data.

Targeted Problem Priorities & Stand Alone Statements – At the January GSC meeting, members shared their prioritized issues after completing system scan worksheets. At the February Operations Committee meeting, members created "Stand Alone Statements" from the prioritized issues so the issues could be

understood when read independently without the context of the question. The prioritized Stand Alone Statements will be used today to sort and to create Labels and Goal Descriptors.

IV. Sorting Data into Labels and Goal Descriptors

GSC members convened in small groups focused on Outcome 2 and 3 and participated in the following activities:

- Candy Sorting Activity to aid in understanding of process
- Overview of guidance to sort data/ Review of Outcome 1 sorting done by GSC staff
- GSC members sorted Outcomes 2 and 3 Prioritized Issue Data
- Overview of guidance for creating Labels/ Review of Outcome 1 Labels done by GSC staff
- GSC members created Labels for Outcomes 2 and 3
- Both Outcome 2 small groups shared the Labels their group developed, and discussed any possible alignment of Labels across both small groups
- Overview of guidance for creating Goal Descriptors/ Review of Outcome 1 Goal Descriptors done by GSC staff
- GSC members created Goal Descriptors for Outcomes 2 and 3

V. General Updates

- The Greater Lansing Baby Fair is scheduled for Saturday, May 6, 2017, at the Lansing Center. Sponsorship packets are now available for organizations who wish to participate and have a table at the Fair. Visit www.lansingbabyfair.com or contact Nicole Greiter at greitern@dansville.org.

***The next GSC meeting is scheduled for March 15, 2017,
1:00 – 3:30 pm at Grace United Methodist Church.***

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