



Torrington School Readiness Council Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2020 12:30-2:00

KidsPlay Museum – 61 Main Street

In Attendance: Donna Labbe; TPS, Paula Romanelli; Head Start, Elizabeth Rhoades, ECCP, Michelle Anderson; McKinney Vento Rep, EdAdvance, Kristen Fern; Torrington School, Marci Chappel, Vogel Wetmore School, Tammie Lockwood; Future foundations, Jan Sosnicki; Hilltop Christian Early Learning Center, Mary Cecchinato; Torrington Child Care Center, Eileen Marriott; KidsPlay Museum

ITEM	DRAFT MINUTES	Time
Review/Approve Minutes/Grant Info.	Minutes: A motion to approve the Nov. 18 th was made by Ms. Fern 2 nd by Ms. Chappel Vote: The Vote Passed Unanimously	Began 12:33
School Readiness	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site Reports Torrington Child Care Center, EdAdvance Head Start Prenatal to Five and Hilltop Christian Early Learning Center shared documents for the following quality components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Share program Curriculum document PD plan for literacy Share program nutrition policy <p>In addition to site reports, thoughts on recruiting and improving staff attendance and parent engagement were discussed among members. Home visits were highlighted as tool that has worked to engage parents and has had a positive impact in their involvement. Thoughts on having preschools emphasize the importance of continuing to connect with their child's grade school during parent teacher conference the spring prior to entering Kindergarten was recommended. Information on a free nutrition training with supplies was shared.</p> <p>Go NAPSACC: https://gonapsacc.org/ Contact Michelle Anderson andersonm@edadvance.org</p>	Adjourned 1:16
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kindergarten Readiness Fair Planning March 28th 10:00-1:00 Torrington (April 4th Snow Date) 	<p>Members discussed logistics of the Kindergarten Fair.</p> <p>Ms. Fern is working on passport to create different pathways in order to avoid long lines, Ms. Chappel is checking on high school student availability to volunteer either 9:30-11:30 or 11:30-1:30 to help with gross motor stations, set up, clean up and parent survey assistance, Ms. Labbe will create an exit Survey Monkey link to have on ipads for parents to take prior to leaving. Suggested questions include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> How did you hear about the Fair? Was the staff was welcoming? Did you learn something new to help your child prepare for kindergarten? <p>Ms. Sosnicki is working on volunteer sign up link. Ms. Gajewski is signing up providers, working on lawn signs, getting flier approved and distributed and updating online registration materials and link.</p>	1:16 -1:50
Next Meeting Feb. 10 th 12:30-2:00 KidsPlay Museum 61 Main Street		

Result Statement: *All of Torrington's children from birth through third grade are healthy and successful learners.*

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2019-20 Meeting Schedule

KidsPlay Museum 61 Main Street Torrington CT

Second Monday of the Month (except where noted * due to school day off)

12:30-2:00 p.m.

8 Meetings

✓ Sept. 9

✓ *Oct. 21

✗ *Nov. 18

++Dec Off++

✓ Jan 13

Feb 10

March 9

*April 20

**May 11

++June Off++

If school is cancelled or early dismissal due to weather – the meeting will be cancelled.

If there is a delay – the meeting will still be held at regular time

**** (last meeting of school year – approve calendar for 2020- 21)**