

Southern Nevada Early Childhood Advisory Council

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1. Welcome & Introductions

Meeting began with welcome greeting. Members gave brief introductions of themselves and their agency/organization, including the community groups/coalitions they are involved in.

2. Mini Case Study Review

There was no mini case study submitted prior to the meeting, therefore there was no review conducted during the meeting. The purpose of and an example of previous mini case studies were provided to the group. Attendees were asked to submit cases for review to Amanda or Mirzah prior to the next meeting.

3. Children's Week at the Legislature

A brief overview of Children's Week at the Legislature was provided to inform new meeting attendees. The Children's Week and Bus Information flyers were also reviewed with the group (see attached).

1. Personal Stories, children's artwork, etc. to take to the Legislature
 - a. Attendees were encouraged to collect personal stories of families they work with, children's artwork, and/or paper dolls because of the impact they can make at Children's Week. Attendees were told to contact Amanda or Shelby if they would like someone to pick these materials up from them so that they can be included at Children's Week.
2. Theme questions to have ready for Children's Week
 - a. This item was not discussed.
3. Group picture
 - a. This item was tabled because Shelby was unclear about what needed to be conveyed to the group. During the next meeting we would like to take a group picture with signs that show our support for children and families to use when advocating. This will be discussed at the next meeting. You are welcome to take your own pictures with statements and send them to Amanda or Shelby to utilize appropriately.

4. Sign up as co-supporter!
 - a. The sign-up sheet to become a co-supporter was passed around to the group. It was explained that there is no cost associated with being a co-supporter. The group asked whether or not they needed to submit the logos of their organization to be a co-supporter. Someone from the group indicated that once they sign up to be a co-supporter, they would be contacted for the logo or other necessary information. The Children's Week Involvement Survey was briefly reviewed with the group to remind them of the different ways they could support the event. Attendees were told that they could submit the hard copy to Dawn after the meeting or complete the survey online.

4. SNECAC Initiative

Learning Party Scheduling Update

- a. All of the learning party materials were finalized in October. A recruitment flyer exists for anyone wanting to schedule a learning party. Please contact Mirzah for the flyer.

5. Strong Start for Nevada's Children Update

The City of Las Vegas will be opening a preschool at Alta and MLK called the Strong Start Academy. Efforts are being made to determine how to create messaging for the state B3 Initiative. The state B3 plan is currently being developed. If you have messaging ideas for the B3 Plan or would like to be involved in the development of the plan, contact Shelby.

6. State ECAC Update

The strategic plan is in development and the next meeting is 2/7/2017. No SNECAC meeting attendees participated in the most recent State ECAC meeting, therefore no other updates were provided.

7. Volunteer for dessert

Mirna Mejia with Las Vegas Urban League volunteered to bring dessert to the next meeting.

8. Open for Other Comments/Ideas...

- a. The Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc. is looking for a venue to hold the 3rd Annual Nevada Tribal Child Care Awareness Day for 150+ people.
- b. Las Vegas Urban League distributed a flyer (ATTACHED) of the many social media accounts that they are using to communicate with the community.
- c. Concern was expressed about the number of Pre-K positions listed on the registry that are going unfilled. Attendance at high school job fairs was discussed as one method of recruiting future employees.
- d. The Legislative Agenda is on the CAA website and will allow you to advocate for different initiatives.

All events flyers have been posted on the Nevada Events Calendar and are attached.

2017 Meetings Dates

March 22, May 24, June 28, August 23, October 25

**Thanks to Mirna Mejia for volunteering to bring Dessert for
March's Meeting!!!**