

Branford School Readiness Council
February 16, 2018

Present: Dale Izzo, Ginger Vickstrom, Alison Tyliszczak, Jamie Cosgrove, Michele Krumenacker and Carole Weisberg.

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Meeting was called to order at 9:35 am.

Dale introduced Carole Weisberg, our new SR Liaison, as of March 1, 2018.

Carole shared her extensive background with the Council.

Carole is retired from Charter Oak but is still teaching one on-line class for them.

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Minutes: Motion (Jamie Cosgrove): to approve minutes from the SR meeting held on January 19, 2018. Seconded: Michele Krumenacker
Motion Passed

Liaison Report:

- Grant application for FY 2019 has been received and is due May 15th.
This is a simpler application than before. Next year will be the complete application BELC and FRC do not need to submit an RFP.
- We will still advertise the RFP for programs that are interested in SR slots and are currently going for NAEYC accreditation.
- The next State meeting will be held on March 8, 2018. Carole will be attending.
- We now have the go-ahead to use the QE money that was on hold for this grant. Judy has had a brief email exchange with Lisa Swain about the monies being approved.
- Pyramid Model Training: Next session scheduled for Monday, February 26th at the First Congregation Church
- Wait list has a total of 24 children (14 at FRC and 11 at BELC (one on both lists). 10 of these children are eligible now and 9 will be eligible in the fall, 2018.

Old Business: By-laws will be sent to all Council members with the proposed changes highlighted. They will be approved at the next meeting.

- Policy and Procedures are being worked on.

Committee Reports:

- Alison T. reported that a Flu Clinic will be held on Saturday, 2/17/18. This is a free event with or without insurance.
- Alison also shared fliers regarding the WIC Program and Read Aloud from Birth.
- Roundtable event: Judy Spaar will be presenting a workshop on February 20th. "Why Play is important".
- The Pre-K team for the district has invited Michele Krumenacker, Diane Pappagoda and the head teacher from FRC to join their team.

New Business:

- A parent has shown interested in being part of the SR Council. Dale and Ginger will reach out to her.
- Pre-K Fair will be held on March 3, 2018 at the Trinity Church Hall.
- Family Day will be held September 16, 2018 on the town green.

Motion (Alison Tyliszczak): to adjourn at 10:25. Seconded: Jamie Cosgrove

Motion Passed

Respectfully submitted,

Ginger Vickstrom