

## Mason County Early Learning Coalition & Interagency Coordinating Committee

Minutes for Thursday November 5, 2015

- Welcome and Introductions (name and need):
  - Holly Porter- Capitol Region ESD 113 Head Start/ECEAP- still not fully staffed
  - Tami Stoutnar- Director, Shelton School District- Bilingual Spanish Para just hired for the Early Learning Program
  - Kim Smith- South Sound Parent to Parent- on 11/14/15 from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. there will be a parenting class
  - Diane Crabtree- Gift for Special Children-
  - Sara Mead- South Sound Parent to Parent- on 11/7/15 there will be a sensory-friendly movie at the Shelton Cinemas
  - Kim Shorten- Child Care Action Council- Alignment meetings happening
  - Jennifer Williamson-Forster- South Sound Reading Foundation- READY! classes are still in need of families
  - Rebecca Roadman- DDA- there are lots of changes – new waiver, etc.
  - Katie de Rose- Family Nurse Partnership- Needs referrals to the program; Smile Mobile is coming
  - Jodi Murphy- DEL Licensor- Safe Sleep Campaign underway
  - Clara Brekke- DEL Licensor- license homes; online sleep training is not user-friendly; doctors can write a note to over-ride sleeping on the back requirement for babies
  
- Coalition Business: (Jennifer)
  - Consent Agenda: passed
    - Minutes approved
  
    - Treasurer's Report
      - No changes to mention
  
  - VEL- Visions for Early Learning (Holly)
    - Has money from Thrive
      - Some went to Early Math- videos will be played at Childcare Centers and doctor offices
    - Concerns
      - Tight timelines for grants and insurance issues
    - Alignment meetings are happening in various locations
    - Goals for new grants
      - Racial Equity
      - Home Visits
      - STEM
    - March Advocacy Day for Thrive

- STEAM- (STEM but includes the Arts)
- Funding Opportunities: (Jennifer)
  - Mini-grants
    - Anyone using STEM or Home Visits
- ICC Local Lead Agency Report: (Kim)
  - Busting at the seams
  - Doing a self-assessment to help with possible training needs
  - 50 total students although some will be turning 3 soon
  - Actively looking for local opportunities to “spread the word”
  - There is a gap when students don’t qualify for an IEP... where do they go? Could there be a Home Visit grant to help support these kids and families?
- Advocacy Event: (Jennifer)
  - January 28, 2016
  - 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
  - Darin Moody (Police Chief will be the MC)
  - Ross Hunter (Keynote)
  - Resource Fair
  - Try to fill tables...
  - Center Pieces to be made by different groups...
- Family Engagement: (Kim for Jenny B.)
  - Classes for parents (6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)
    - Safety 11/20/15
    - STEM Activity 11/21/15
- Old Business:
  - Strategic Plan needs to be finalized
  - Procedure document needs to be updated
- Agency Updates:
  - Jennifer- Ready fliers passed out... still need more families
  - Tami- District Safety Training on November 6<sup>th</sup>- involves community agencies as well

Next meeting: December 3, 2015 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

