

Visions Meeting Minutes March 18, 2014

Welcome:

Introductions were given by stating organizations represented, counties represented and what matters to each of us

Infant/Toddler Update:

Integration will occur with Early Achievers. A consultation model will be standard across state and attachment based. Point of entry into Early Achievers is being discussed and will be determined. Changes will be in place by July 1, 2014.

Early Achievers update:

Annie supplied handouts on enrollment and data. Data reports are provided through Child Care Aware weekly. Ratings are to follow for Early Achiever applicants, the process through UW requires time.

County Reports:

- Grays Harbor County - Next meeting occurs today, 3-18-14. Carousel Early Learning Conference April 26. Play and Learn groups continue to be planned. STEEP is in place as a home visiting program, Parents as Teachers will begin soon.
- Lewis County - Upcoming meeting this week (Thursday, March 20). Final plans for banners in businesses or Learn on the Go! Will take place at this meeting.
- Mason County - Plan of work being established in collaboration with D.E.L. plans. Working to get systems and structures in place, Early Learning Conference "Commitment to Quality", May 17
- Pacific County - Family event May 17, Saturday Spring Fair. Working to reach Hispanic Families. March 27 marks a family concert. Triple P parenting program will begin end of the month.
- Thurston- Speaker at last meeting from Crisis Clinic. Parenting Tools workshop, March 26 at SPSCC. Hired a new coordinator. Community event planning for week of the young child, will occur April 12 at Capital Mall to get the word out about the coalition. Love, Talk, Play event coming soon in Rochester

Approved minutes from January 28, 2014.

Community Momentum Grant:

Website update was visually presented. Link is <http://www.visionsforearlylearning.org>.

A calendar is also available on the site to note meetings, conferences and events occurring within the region.

Note Action Plan on meeting agenda for county teams and work teams to submit meeting dates and special events to Jane for the website calendar.

Each county has link on the Visions website. A link to Thrive by Five "blog" where Visions will have articles each month.

ELAC connection will be added under the advocacy tab.

WaKIDS Convening:

Strong representation from child care, preschools and school districts in Lewis County.

Connections made, action plans to come and continued work together will take place.

Upcoming plans for Aberdeen and White Pass, working with districts individually.

Cultures Connecting:

Ilsa Govan presented the work of the organization. The work includes, bringing people into conversation, reflecting on the work being everyone's responsibility and obtaining skills to use perspective within daily work. There are multiple workshops, consulting, coaching opportunities through the organization to get work more in depth.

Work Team break-out sessions ensued. Committee leads will provide notes to Jane and reports/updates at upcoming meetings. Meeting dates to Jane to be placed on website.

Next meeting schedule for May 20. This date and time may change, watch for a doodle poll for best times/days for meeting.