

Lenawee Great Start Parent Leadership Work Group Meeting 10-3-11

Attendance: Lisa Eack; Heather Perez; Christine MacNaughton; Joe Satterelli; Belinda Burciaga; Kristin Columbus; Sharon Upp

Overview: Christie gave an explanation of the new directives giving by the ECIC to ensure outcome based and measurable goals. Current goals and strategies were to be reviewed and modified. Parent Leadership Workgroup was told they have a budget of approx. \$950-1000 available in the Children's Trust Fund to use in the next six months for training. Christie also mentioned it would be good to look at how our work can link with the Parent Café going forward and she noted that training also needed to include positive solutions for parents to help prevent child abuse and neglect.

- *Goal PL1.A: Partner with existing organizations through outreach* was removed because the group felt this was already occurring and the LGSC Parent Liaisons are disseminating information through their meetings and events. We determined that our workgroup would focus on the Parent Training piece for the next (6) months.
- *Goal PL1.B (NOW PL1.A): Strengthen parent leadership and provide training.*
 - Although various meeting venues were discussed, as well as partnering with other groups in an effort to provide the training, the group felt parent training would best be facilitated through existing Parent Coalition meetings with follow up discussions taking place at Parent Café community meetings to increase impact and sustainability. We discussed presenting information one time for 20-30 minutes may or may not have a lasting effect but giving the parents the opportunity to further discuss training and topics at the Cafés with other parents will have a more lasting effect.
 - Training booklets provided by the ECIC with information and handouts were chosen as the type of training for (3) upcoming PC meetings in November, January, and March.
 - The location of St. Joseph Academy was approved for upcoming PC meetings and training.
 - Lenawee Prep and Lenawee's Child were also discussed as possible future venues for training.

Please see the amended Parent Leadership Goals/Action Steps on page (2).

Parent Leadership					
Families support and guide the early learning of their infants and young children					
Objective/Action Step	Resource Needs	Roles/Responsibilities	Target Date	Progress Measures	Status
Goal PL1: Strengthen Parent Leadership and Provide Training					
OBJ.-PL1.A.1- Parent training at current PC meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presenters • Training Curriculum • Brief Surveys • Handouts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kristen will contact Joe Baker to lead Nov. training on Helping Children Learn to Manage their own Behavior. • Subsequent trainings will be discussed at the Dec. Parent Leadership meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1st Training – November 2, 2011 (Topic – Helping Children Learn to Manage their own Behavior) • 2nd Training - January 12, 2012 • 3rd Training – March 3, 2012 • NOTE: Advocacy training in late April/May is also planned in preparation for Star Power 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance sign in sheets • Brief survey gauging the top (3) things parents found helpful and suggestions for what they would be interested in learning more about • Group evaluation of trainings (from Liaisons, Work Group members, Board members & key PC parents in attendance) and monitoring attendance at both PC meeting and Parent Cafés are key for continual improvement efforts 	