

Regular Meeting Zoom Online Meeting

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 PM.

2. INTRODUCTIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

Present: Denise Kegler, Sarah Dufresne, Katie Bell, Pat Schneider, Lisa Dahn, Miguel Colon, Jane Goldman, Kathleen Krider, Shamim Patwa, Anne Bladen, Kelly Zimmermann, Judy Stoughton, Deb Plourde, Kimberly Christenson, Jaclyn LaPointe, Tim Schlehofer

Denise Kegler recognized Sarah Dufresne for the Earth Extravaganza event coming up on April 23, 2022.

Lisa Dahn recognized the early childhood community for their participation and advocacy on March 15, and to Deb Plourde for organizing and putting together the "Day of Action". Deb Plourde also recognized the centers for participating.

Kathleen Krider recognized Mansfield for the hiring of Peter Dart as the new Superintendent.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The March 2, 2022 Minutes were approved by consensus at 5:40 PM (Deb Plourde and Kathleen Krider abstained because they were not at the March meeting.)

5. REVIEW AND UPDATE MAC CHARGE

- a. Jane Goldman asked that we include MAC's mission in the "PURPOSE/CHARGE" section to reflect our commitment to families as well as children.
- b. Kelly Zimmermann made a motion to "approve the proposed changes to the Mansfield Advocates for Children Charge with the exception of including the changes to the first paragraph." Shamim Patwa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously at 5:59 PM.

6. PRE-K SCREENINGS AND KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION

a. Pre-K screenings will be consolidated to two days verses three. Families can call any of the elementary schools to set up a screening.

b. Kindergarten Orientation is April 13, 2022; 6:30 – 7:30 PM at the Buchanan Auditorium.

7. SCHOOL READINESS COUNCIL ITEMS/STAFF REPORT

- a. Local RFP due to Sarah April 13, 2022 by 6:30 PM. SR Grant due to OEC May 8, 2022.
- b. Next round of monitoring visits will be scheduled with center directors.

8. CLOSING/ UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

a. Next meeting: May 4, 2022

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:26 PM.