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Family Resource Network
December 3, 2020
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
ZOOM Virtual Meeting

Meeting Minutes

20 Centers in Attendance, 39 Attendees

Resource Centers in Attendance: AZCEND, Benevilla FRC, Buckeye FRC, Care 1st Avondale RC, Chandler CARE Center, Chicanos por la Causa-Parenting Arizona FRC, Creighton FRC, Deer Valley FRC, Gila Bend FRC, Glendale Elementary School District FRC, Lutheran Social Services FRC, Paradise Valley FRC, Pendergast FRC, Peoria Unified FRC, Phoenix Families First, Scottsdale FRC, Tempe Elementary School District-Thrive to Five, University of AZ/Roosevelt Early Childhood FRC, Valleywise Health Family Learning Centers, Washington Resource & Information Center.

Decision Points:

1. FRN Minutes Approval

Motion to approve: Rosita Pinedo, Scottsdale FRC. Second Motion: Janelle Radoccia, LSS FRC. Approved.

Action Items:

-no immediate action items recorded.

Updates:

1. Family Resource Advisory Committees (FRAC)

a. Governance & Evaluation

Katie Kahle has accepted the nomination to serve as chair of this committee.

b. Public Awareness

Jacquee Clark, (Washington Resource and Information Center) president, was not present at the meeting and there were no specific updates. It was noted by other FRAC members that there are still publicity materials available for the Resource Centers that want them. Members are encouraged to reach out to the committee for availability and delivery of publicity materials.

c. Parent Engagement (PAC)

Leonor Garcia (LSS FRC) briefly reviewed the PAC survey sent out on Tuesday 9/29. Referred members to upcoming training on Maintaining and Sustaining a Thriving PAC, possibly in February. The PAC is the host for today's meeting.

d. Sustainability

Betsy Musson (Pendergast FRC) discussed a possible partnership with TAPI AZ to possibly begin in February. Additional committee members are still needed.

2. FRN Consultant Team

Mara de Luca Funke and Aimee Sitzler (Family Resource Network Consultant Team) spent the majority of the update time discussing upcoming Professional development opportunities. Mara also noted availability of the free PJ Library. This resource is designed to provide free early childhood books for all Jewish families and connected friends. Topics are not only religious but also cover diversity and social justice.

3. Upcoming Professional Development - Family Resource Network Consultant Team

The team is committed to offering ongoing PD for all Resource Center Staff. Topics will include Engaging Parents Remotely and Mental First Aid for Adults, Early Literacy in a Virtual World, Leadership Development, Strengthening Families to Prevent Childhood Adversity, and Supporting Anti-Racism Among Families. Sign ups to be released soon, watch your email.

4. Legislative Update Kelley Murphy (Children's Action Alliance)

Ms. Murphy was not present - no update.

5. First Things First

Annette Bourne (FTF) reported that new guidance was released through PGMS to primary contacts only related to updates for reporting. FTF has decided to allow virtual programs to be able to be counted. Several resource centers stated they had not received the update and Annette confirmed that she would send to Community Alliance Consulting for release to all FRN Members. Annette also encouraged members with ongoing questions to contact Mollie Bailey (m Bailey@firstthingsfirst.org) Mollie Bailey (FTF) was not present for additional updates.

6. Host FRN member Presentation

The Scottsdale FRC partnered with the Parent Engagement Committee to discuss the Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) that is active at the Scottsdale center. Rosita Pinedo (Scottsdale FRC) discussed how the PAC got started and how they recruited members. The Scottsdale FRC provided the nomination form they used and the parent President, Leslie Anglero-Barrios, discussed her role at the PAC and what the FRC has meant to her family. The PAC has developed their own norms for meetings, has held a community mask event, and a virtual Story and craft. After the presentation, Pendergast FRC also offered their handbook for FRCs interested in moving forward with establishing their own PACs. Leonore Garcia (LSS) reminded FRN members that a training on PACs will be held in 2021.

Guest Speaker:

-Southwest Human Development had two employees: Ana Arabel (aaabel@SWHD.org), the director of the Birth to Five Hotline and Ricardo Reyes (rreyes@SWHD.org), director of programming. Ana reviewed the Mission and Vision of Southwest Human Development. Ana discussed ongoing partnerships between SWHD and many of the FRN Members. She discussed The Hotline, the Fussy Baby Network,

Literacy Resources, and Trauma Informed Care for families. Ana shared a story to illustrate the hotline and reminded the FRN that anyone including teachers and providers can call the hotline. Ricardo provided flyers for the Fussy Baby Program <https://www.swhd.org/programs/health-and-development/fussy-baby/> and Birth to Five Flyers <https://www.swhd.org/programs/health-and-development/birth-to-five-helpline/>

FRN Anti-Racism Presentation

Renato Ramos renato.ramos@parentingaz.org (Chicanos por la Causa) discussed an Anti-racism resource: The Smithsonian Institute website "Let's Talk About Race".

<https://nmaahc.si.edu/learn/talking-about-race>

Renato suggested that members bookmark the sight and refer back to it. He did not recommend the site for direct use with parents but for use as a resource to gain insight and information.

FRN Member Updates/Announcements

-Patty Merk, UofA Roosevelt FRC, discussed their center 500 children will be getting a gift pmerk@cals.arizona.edu

-Juan Marquez, Care 1st Avondale RC, discussed Story Time with Santa Virtual-they still have spots available- jmarquez@avondaleaz.gov

-Bri Rodriguez, City of Phoenix Resource Centers, discussed Story Time with Santa briselda.rodriguez@phoenix.gov

-Carole-Jerie Guajardo, Care 1st RC, discussed working with the Salvation Army for gifts for children. Over 400 children still need sponsors cjguajardo@avondaleaz.gov

-Jannelle Radoccia, Lutheran Social Services, Discussed that FIC has training coming up for the Standards of Quality Family Support in January, March and April and that she has a list of staff needing training, but any FRN member can reach out to her to enquire jradoccia@lss-sw.org

-Betsy Musson, Pendergast FRC, having a Diaper Drive up on 12/16. bmusson@pesd92.org

-Yenni Rios, Gila Bend FRC, Holiday Children's event for 70 children and will include flu shots and COVID-19 testing. yrios@gilabendaz.org

-Rachel Sanders, Buckeye FRC, Valleywise Health, The FRC received a grant of \$3000 to be able to supplement holiday gift giving for families in Buckeye, rsanders@besd33.org

-Renato Ramos, CPLC Parenting Arizona FRC, mentioned that the Guadalupe Center is collecting socks and sweaters for individuals in need. renato.ramos@parentingaz.org

Meeting Adjournment - Time 12:01 PM

April Aguinaga, Valleywise Health, moved to adjourn; Briselda Rodriguez, City of Phoenix Resource Centers, moved to second and the meeting was adjourned.

Next FRN Meeting: February 4, 2021. Mix and Mingle 9:30 AM, Meeting 10 AM- 12 PM