



DISTRICT 196

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

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Early Childhood Family Services Advisory Council Minutes

September 17, 2024

Minutes

Members present: Laura Bjork, Megan Bollinger, Manuel Diaz, Lenica Diaz, **Jamie Duffey, Melissa Dunlay,** Meredith Eilertson Azeem, Jessica Glenn, Jorge González Castro, Sasha Hiatt-Blenkush, Dave Kerber, Therine Liss, Brianna Riofski, Katie Rudolph, Adrianne Rysavy, Morgan Schlinsog, Sabrina Silver and Ruku Viswanathan

ISD 196 Staff present: Zachary Gonsioroski, Kristi Hanson and Dacia Liszka

Call to Order

Chairperson Melissa Dunlay called the meeting to order at 6:25 p.m. Introductions were made.

ECFS Program Overview – Zachary Gonsioroski

- Great start to the 2024-2025 school year in Connections Preschool, ECFE and Family School.
- Program is fully staffed.

Committees and Liaison Positions

- Dates, times and committee/liaison members were defined for all 2024-2025 school year key initiatives.

Liaison Updates

Community Education Advisory Council Meeting on Tuesday, September 10, 2024. – Melissa Dunlay attended this meeting. Updates shared: Superintendent stated this school year is off to a great start; there was discussion regarding the 2023 Bond Referendum Facilities Improvements, new elementary school #20 school and Community Education summer programming. Summer programming competes with the MN Zoo, Science Museum and other programming so brainstorming around release dates and how to share offerings with the community.

Upcoming Events

Wednesday, September 18, 2024	Chipotle Fundraiser	Chipotle -15600 English Ave, Apple Valley	4:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, October 3, 2024	ECFE 50 th Birthday Bash	DVLC	5:00 – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 8, 2024	ECFS Advisory Council – Education Planning and Content Meeting	DVLC	5:15 – 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday, October 15, 2024	ECFS Advisory Council – Fundraising Committee Meeting	DVLC	5:30 – 6:15 p.m.
Tuesday, October 15, 2024	ECFS Advisory Council – Hospitality Committee Meeting	DVLC	5:30 – 6:15 p.m.

Thursday, October 24, 2024	ECFS Foundation Meeting – Katie	DVLC	6:00-7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	Community Education Advisory Council – Melissa	DVLC	6:00-7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	Superintendent Parent Leader Meeting – Meredith (a.m.) & Laura (p.m.)	Zoom	Group 1: 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. Group 2: 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 13, 2024	196 Legislative Advisory Council – Sabrina and Dave	District Office 3455 153rd Street West., Rosemount	6:00-7:30 p.m.

Other Business

New Advisory Council Member – Manuel Diaz, Lenica Diaz and Megan Bollinger joined this meeting. Melissa Dunlay asked the council to vote; the vote amongst the Council was unanimously “In Favor.” Manuel Diaz, Lenica Diaz and Megan Bollinger were appointed as new ECFS Advisory Council members.

Adjournment

There being no further business Melissa Dunlay made a motion to adjourn, Laura Bjork seconded and full council approved. The meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Future Meeting Dates

3rd Tuesday, every month - October 15, 2024, November 19, 2024, December 10, 2024, January 21, 2025, February 18, 2025, March 18, 2025, April 15, 2025, and May 20, 2025

Respectfully submitted, Dacia Liszka