

**Child Care and Early Education Subcommittee**  
**Meeting Notes**  
**Tuesday-February 2, 2010**  
**1:30-3:30 Oakland Schools**

**In Attendance:** Hollie West, Parent; Betsy Spiker, 4C; Laura Brown, Rochester Schools; Carin Goodrich, PATH; Rhonda Meyers, MDAEYC; Darlene Zimny, GSC-O

**Task Force Group Updates:** Updates were provided for each task force group and next steps were discussed.

*Physician Outreach:* This project has been on hold awaiting implementation funding approval

*Career Lattice:* The workgroup met 1/25/10. We will be working on a draft of an email to send to training organizations, colleges and universities. The email will introduce them to the career lattice, explain how to use it and ask them to add a link to their website with the STEPS button which links to the career lattice website, a list of possible sites will also be created. We also submitted a proposal to present at the ECIC regional TA meeting in April regarding our process.

*Joint Recruitment:* The next workgroup meeting is scheduled for 2/12/10. Darlene shared a sample of the brochure Kim Mclean created. The group provided feedback on format and style as well as some specifics on the guidelines/wording. Finally the group discussed specific wording about the importance of preschool and what parents can do if they don't qualify for free programs or if there is a waitlist. This feedback will be shared with the workgroup on 2/12/10. Darlene also shared a copy of some parent questions that Kim has created. These questions would be answered and then included on a FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions) page for families.

*ECE/K-12 Systems Building:* Galileo (originally scheduled for 2/9/10) had to be rescheduled due to the snow. The new date is 3/09/10. Darlene shared a copy of the agenda which includes teacher leaders sharing their experiences, focus group discussion (mixed teams), district teams building a blueprint for systems building. Early childhood teams will be asked to commit to three follow up sessions (April 13-Who me, A Leader; June 8-How Do I Lead; August 10-What Can I Do).

*ASQ/Developmental Screenings:* We have been talking with Early On about a project which would utilize the ASQ screening (currently done through University of Oregon) in Oakland County. This project is a part of our integrated projects work and also a part of our implementation funding application. This project would allow us to establish a website for the ASQ. Families, early childhood professionals and pediatricians would be able to access this website and complete a developmental screening. In addition, if funded, we would like to have 5-7 early childhood programs pilot the use of this tool as a way to engage parents in their children's growth and development. We would need to develop criteria for potential pilot sites. Laura Brown mentioned that the Special Ed director at Rochester Schools may be interested in being a pilot site!!

Early Learning Calendars: Darlene brought in samples of the new infant/toddler calendar as well as the preschool calendar.

**Subcommittee Considerations:**

Implementation Funds: We are still awaiting information on this funding-we will keep the subcommittee updated as we hear more.

Regional Resource Center Update: Oakland Family Services was named the North Oakland County Early Learning Hub site.

**Next Steps:**

Laura Brown has agreed to be a co-chair for this subcommittee-thanks Laura!!! We will still need another co-chair.

**Announcements:**

Next meeting is April 6, 2010-this falls during the week of Spring Break. We can either meet March 30 or April 13.