## Cold Springs Early Childhood Advisory Council March 6, 2024

- 1. Welcome sign in
- 2. Introductions:
  - a. New Members:
  - b. Minutes from January Meeting <u>January Meeting Notes</u>
- 3. Mission:
  - a. The mission of the Cold Springs Early Childhood Advisory Council is to foster nurturing environments that support community partnerships, strengthen families, and prepare children as lifelong learners.
- 4. Purpose:
  - a. Advise on the planning and implementation of the preschool program and help support transition plans.
  - b. Establish annual goals and recommendations to support our mission statement in coordination with the local county council (CCCYC).
  - c. Participate in the assessment of specific community needs and support and provide appropriate resources.
- 5. Goals for 2023-2024 School Year:
  - a. Use assessments (CNA) to determine the needs of our families and the community and support the identified needs with appropriate resources.
  - b. Increase enrollment
  - c. Work with local community agencies to support the needs of our families including but not limited to; Gloucester City Public Schools, local entities, churches, food banks
- 6. Old Business:
  - a. ECAC Recruitment Please mention to anyone who may be interested
    - i. Feel free to share Andi's email: adahlberg@gcsd.k12.nj.us
  - b. Preschool Registration
- 7. New Business:

- a. New Registration-18 students currently in oncourse for new registration and 30 have signed up for our registration event on March 19th 4-6pm
- b. Registration Event: March 19th 4-6pm
  I. Short 5-10 min introduction/explanation of our program
  Parent table: Carla, Laquanda, ?
  Teacher table: Rebstock, Ahern, DiNoia, Groff, Carey, Klinke, Formiglia
  Tour of our building and some classrooms
- c. Marketing & Publicity
  - i. New ideas for spreading the word about our FREE Preschool Program!
  - ii. Working on:
    - 1. Posters around town
    - 2. Pamphlets with local realtors to leave in homes
    - 3. Student artwork with QR code placed around the community
    - 4. Yard Signs
    - 5. Registration is Open!
  - iii. Structure and thoughts on next year
- d. Preschool to K transition
  - i. Thoughts? What has been done in the past?
  - ii. How can we involve families?
  - iii. Preschool Registration for the 2024/2025 school year opens March 1, 2024!
- 8. Questions/Comments/Concerns:
- 9. Next Meeting: May 9, 2024 @10am

Thank you for your dedication to our youngest learners, our community, & ECAC! I look forward to seeing you all again soon!