## Hampton and Scotland School Readiness Council Tuesday November 26, 2019 at Scotland Elementary School Meeting Minutes

Attendance: Joy Becker, Cathy Pinsonneault, Sam Roberson, Ann Gruenberg, Andrea Kaye, Scott Sears, Geri White, Mary Geragotelis, Frank Baran, Anne Marie Davidson

- 1) Call to order: Scott Sears called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.
- 2) Audience for citizens: None
- 3) Update agenda as needed: A motion to add agenda item 9B: Discussions with Chaplin was made by Joy Becker, seconded by Scott Sears. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
  A motion to add 8b: Scotland's financial status with regard to the state and financial audit was made by

Cathy Pinnsoneault and seconded by Frank Baran. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.

- 4) Approval of October 29, 2019 meeting minutes: Mary Geragotelis motioned to approve the October 29, 2019 meeting minutes. Ann Gruenberg seconded the motion. No discussion. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
- 5) Acceptance of financial reports
  - **a. Hampton:** Motion to accept Hampton's financial report was made by Joy Becker and seconded by Ann Greunberg. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
  - **b. Scotland:** Motion to accept Scotland's financial report was made by Geri Geragotelis and seconded by Joy Becker. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.
- 6) Program updates:
  - a. Hampton: Council reviewed the update, no discussion.
  - **b. Scotland:** Council reviewed the update, NAEYC visit occurred on 11/25/19. Generally had positive comments. Discussion on incoming child who is currently receiving Birth to Three services

## 7) SR Liaison Report

**a.** 11/15/19 All State Funded Meeting Update: Submitted the unutilized space survey for both towns. At the meeting we were given an update on the Registry and QSM requirements and spent some time discussing using a unified monitoring tool.

## 8.) New Business:

- a. Review updated membership list: Joy Becker has an interested person who is an RN that is interested in participating on the Council.
- b. Scotland's Financial Status with Regard to the State and the financial audit: Dr. Baran provided an update on Town audit and the possible need to return tuition from 2018-2019 school year and the process for requesting family fee carry over form the OEC. Scotland is waiting to hear the outcome of the conversation between the OEC and the auditor. An update will be provided at the next meeting on January 28, 2020.

## 9) Old Business

- a. Quality Enhancement Funds Update: Using EASTCONN SEL program to provide PD for whole school. It will be ongoing using an embedded approach.
- b. Discussions with Chaplin: Co-chairs Joy Becker and Scott Sears met Chaplin Principal, Mr. Chavez, Superintendent, Mr. Henrici and the Chaplin School Readiness Liaison, Angela Fournier informally to discuss pros and cons in regards to joining the three towns, Hampton, Scotland and Chaplin into a larger regional SR council. There did not seem to be any draw backs since funds are separate and programs would stay the same. Mr. Chavez asked if the Hampton Scotland Council gives recommendations to classroom teachers, pooling all of QE funds because shared PD could be cost advantage. Some questions that need to be answered are would there be three co-chairs, where to meet, when to meet. Next steps are

for Chaplin are to discuss the regionalization at the next meeting on December 4, 2019. The Hampton Scotland Council members suggested to discussing and identifying areas where there would be beneficial outcomes from the joining of Chaplin, PD is one area.

- 10) Audience for citizens: None
- **11) Set next meeting Agenda:** Quality Enhancement PD, Sam bring materials for Council to review, Chaplin outcomes from their December 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, Scotland Financial Update, grant update
- **13**) **Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made by Frank Baran at 7:55 pm and seconded by Ann Gruenberg. Motion passed unanimously. None opposed. No abstentions.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 1/28/20 6:30-8:00 pm at Hampton Elementary School
Respectfully submitted by Anne Marie Davidson, Hampton and Scotland School Readiness Liaison
These minutes are unofficial until approved at the next School Readiness Council Meeting