**Iowa 21st Century Community Learning Centers**

**Family Engagement Committee**

***Meeting Agenda***

July 22, 2020

10:00am

Join by phone:

1-515-604-9985, passcode 123766

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**COMMITTEE MISSION:** This committee focuses on strategies for family engagement, including identifying and sharing of best practices.

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**2019-2020 COMMITTEE GOALS:**

* Meet every other month.
* Share insights, successes, and resources with each other.
* Have 50% of your enrolled attendees’ families attend your engagement events.

**ROSTER**

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| NAME | SITE/SCHOOL | MARK FOR ATTENDANCE |
| Allison Furhmeister | Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County |  |
| Barb Schmitz | Oelwein CSD | x |
| Billy Stone | Oakridge Neighborhood Services | x |
| Dema Abussaf | South Union | x |
| Chris Hoover | Maquoketa CSD |  |
| Christine Carlson | Storm Lake CSD | x |
| Clarissa Thompson | MICA |  |
| Cynthia Garcia | Beyond the Bell |  |
| Jessica Apetiza | SHIP/Beyond the Bell |  |
| Danielle Ruby | Des Moines Public Schools |  |
| Diana DeAnda | SHIP/Beyond the Bell |  |
| Jaquanda Franklin | Neighborhood Centers of Johnson Co. |  |
| John Spinks | Oakridge Neighborhood | x |
| Emi Banes | BGCCV |  |
| Gabi White | BGCCV |  |
| Jenna Carl | Burlington CSD |  |
| Kate Stockstell | Hamburg CSD | x |
| Linda Phillips | Des Moines Public Schools | x |
| Marla Theisen | Andrew CSD |  |
| Megan Bogdan | YouthPort/Tanager Place – Cedar Rapids |  |
| Nikki Clausen | Council Bluffs CSD | x |
| Sam Graeve | Audubon CSD | x |
| Stephanie Shavers | Operation Threshold – Waterloo | x |
| Virginia Kurth | Allamakee CSD | x |
| Bobbie Jo Sherridan | DMPS |  |
| Melissa Williams | DMPS |  |
| Alyssa Gearhart | North Fayette | x |
| Vic Jaras | Iowa Department of Education | x |
| Crystal Hall | IAA | x |
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**AGENDA ITEMS**

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| **Agenda Item** | **Notes** |
| Define FY21 Committee Goals | Return to Learn – how to be supportive of the District and Families. How and where your individual sites are going?   * Christine- Storm Lake - school starts August 19. Storm Lake is a hot spot right now. Doing pod learning, separate grades into different sections and building spaces. Eliminating water fountains and locker use. Parents are freaking out. Ongoing work being done. Some teachers are not coming back. Out of school time programming has not yet received the green light to start. Christine is ordering PPE so she will be ready to go when the time comes. * Barb – Oelwein – offering full online school. Hired two savvy tech teachers. Also looking into an A/B schedule and pods. Nothing is decided. Working with teachers to provide out of school time programming online to support kids. Friday is the last day of virtual summer school and Barb has some data on attendance and progress to share out with her administrators. * Sam – Audubon – planning on all students back all day (except Wednesdays to do deep cleaning). Keeping kids in their cohort groups to reduce risk of outbreak. Trying to figure out how to continue to keep kids separate in out of school time program. * John – Oakridge – held a video conference with principal of feeder school inquiring about access to building. A Block B Block with deep clean on Wednesday is the plan for the building and it does look like they will be able to get into the building but it is still TBD on what that would look like. All in the buildings will be required to wear facemasks and face shields for the younger ones and those with needs to see/read faces/lips. Concerned because students are out of school for so long, how we can continue to bridge the gap for learning loss. Asked Vic if groups of youth could be served when they are not in school. Ex. when the Thursday/Friday group is out of school, can they be served with 21CCLC funds? Vic is looking into this possibility and is asking this as a written question during his monitoring call next week.   Vic reminded everyone that each school has funds from the CARES Act that is to be used to support schools this year. Out of school time programming is an allowable expense with these funds. Sam shared that many schools are using these funds to offer additional learning days as well as PPE so the lion’s share of the funds may already be used. Out of school programs would still be encouraged to advocate for themselves.  Vic also shared that the Department will be flexible with the requirement of parent meetings. He offered as an example if you partner with a food distribution site to pass out weekend food and a take-home kit of materials and call it an event. Just be sure to take attendance and you can count it.  Ideas for potential goals:  #1 – Social/Emotional Support. Parents have gone through trauma and are scared. How can we as a committee address these concerns? Christine shared a document/article that she’d like everyone to look over and perhaps we could make one or more of these concepts into a goal?  #2 – Communicate to parents in a more personal manner the facts that the out of school time program is designed to be safe, interactive, and meeting their needs as a student and as a family. Consider phone calls vs. flyers, etc. Program response to when and if a youth or staff tests positive during out of school time.  #3 – Consider sending out a form or survey to check in with families to see how they are doing and what they need. What are their concerns? What would make them more comfortable? Preferences: in-person or virtual? What to do if someone in their household tests positive for COVID-19.  #4 – Ideas for engaging families virtually in a fun and interactive way. Look at Oelwein’s Anytime Camp on their school website. They offered curbside pick-up for supplies to make these programs and then taught the lesson via Zoom. They had a great turnout for these events. Ask the Committee to come up with a list of activities they believe would be positive for families. |
| Recent successes/stories/highlights and obstacles/barriers to success | Alyssa is planning a drive through ice cream social to welcome families back.  John asked Crystal to share the email about Kum and Go food distribution from a few weeks back. She will do so. |
| Other/Open Agenda | Vic shared that contracts are coming and will be retroactive to July 1st. You are fine to proceed with your summer programming. |

**WORK PLAN**

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| **Deadline** | **Activity** | **Who’s Responsible** | **Outcome Expected** | **Notes for Implementation** |
| September 16, 2020 | Review meeting notes and supportive materials to define goals for FY21 | Committee | Identify notes for the 2020-2021 school year. |  |
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**NEXT MEETING DATE: September 16, 2020 at 10:00am.**

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