

Door County Partnership for Children and Families Quarterly Partnership Meeting Agenda

Friday, December 13th, 2019, 8:15 a.m.
Justice Center – 1st Floor Multipurpose Room

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1. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Brief Agency Updates

2. Staff Updates
 - a. DCPCF Coordinator
 - b. Community Connections
 - c. Family Engagement Leader

3. Brief Committee Updates
 - a. Family Enrichment Committee
 - b. Collaboration Committee
 - c. Community Resources Committee
 - d. Marketing Committee
 - e. Welcome Baby Committee
 - f. Executive Committee

4. Other Business
 - a. Imagination Library
 - b. Updates on Fundraising and Grants

5. Program: Early Literacy and Celebration of Door County Dolly Parton's Imagination Library's 1st Birthday

6. 2020 Partnership Meeting Dates
 - a. Friday, March 13th, 2020
 - b. Friday, June 12th, 2020
 - c. Friday, September 11th, 2020
 - d. Friday, December 11th, 2020



Door County Partnership for Children and Families (DCPCF)
Meeting Minutes
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In Attendance: Candis Dart (Door County Partnership for Children and Families), Rebecca Nicholson (Door County Partnership for Children and Families), Mary Ellen Smith (Public Health), Ann Smejkal (Sturgeon Bay Schools), Nikki Voight (Door-Tran), Emma Lehman (Door County Department of Health and Human Services), Rachael Millner (Public Health), Julie Renier (Public Health), Beth Lokken (Library), Helen Bacon (County Supervisor, City Alderperson), Jennifer Moeller (Circuit Court)

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Staff Updates

a. DCPCF Coordinator

- Candis has announced that she will be resigning from her position at the end of December. She will be taking time to focus on her family.
- At this time, we are not planning to immediately rehire for the Coordinator position. We will take the next 6 months to evaluate the needs of the DCPCF and decide what a new staff position should look like. This is a great opportunity to look at where we are at as an organization.
- For the next few months, Chad and Rebecca will be splitting the Coordinator duties and will be supervised by Amy (United Way Executive Director). Please do not hesitate to reach out to them if you have any questions.

b. Community Connections

- Rebecca provided a brief update on the Community Connections program (<https://doorcountyparents.com/community-connections/>). The number of referrals each month varies and she has been seeing some repeat families.
 - Currently, Community Connections has increased 8-9% over 2018 in the number of families served.

c. Family Engagement Leader

- Chad has been working on several programs and events over the past few months. Many of these are collaborative events with other organizations.
 - Conversations on Bullying (with Jak's Place, Civility Project, Counseling Associates)
 - Parent Café
 - WoW Cafés for Youth

- Chad has also attended several programs offered by the Family and Childcare Resource Center of NEW, in an effort to learn about different types of programs and what could be offered here in Door County.

3. Committee Reports:

a. Family Enrichment Committee

- Currently, we do not have any programs scheduled. The Family Enrichment Committee will be working with Chad to plan events and programs for 2020 (including Parent Cafes, Raising a Thinking Child, Block Parties, and more)

b. Collaboration Committee

- The Collaboration Committee has been working to plan and Implicit Bias training for providers. **Save the Date for Thursday, April 30th for an all-day training.**
- The Collaboration Committee is also looking at doing an evening event for parents/community about online safety and technology use for kids. More information will be available once a date is set.

c. Community Resources Committee

- http://doorcountylibrary.org/community_resources
- Beth is continuing to update the Community Resource Guide as needed. If there are any changes/updates/additions that need to be made, please let Beth know (blokken@co.door.wi.gov).
- Beth will be adding a section titled “Business Support (including Personal Business).” This section will have information on notaries, places to fax, meeting room rentals, etc. If you know of any resources that would be a good fit for this section, please let Beth know.
- It was shared that the focus of this page is to provide information on Door County Resources. Resources that provide good information for families, but are not a direct resource here in Door County (example: online safety information) should be shared with Rebecca, so that it can be added to the Door County Partnership for Children and Families website.

d. Marketing Committee

- No updates at this time.

e. Welcome Baby Committee

- This committee is continuing to work on answering questions about the logistics of operating a Welcome Baby program in Door County (patient confidentiality, forms, etc.).
- The committee will continue to provide updates as available.

f. Executive Committee

- We have new members of the Executive Committee. These are Lori Kemmler (Environmental Educator at the Ridges), Sheriff Tammy Sternard (Door County Sheriff's Department), Dawn Vandevort (Extension), and Brian Stezenski-Williams (Boys & Girls Club).

4. Other Business

a. Dolly Parton's Imagination Library: Registration went live for the program in December 2018. As of December 13th, 2019, there were approximately 575 children registered for the program and 54 children who have already graduated from the program.

- We will be holding a 1st Birthday Celebration for the Door County Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program on Saturday, December 14th from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. at the Sturgeon Bay Library. This event is free and open to anyone who would like to attend.
- We have created a Donation Gift form for anyone who is interested in making a donation to Imagination Library in honor of someone. Please share with anyone who might be interested. <https://doorcountyparents.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/11/DPIL-GIFT.pdf>
- We have created a pre-registration survey and a graduate survey for Imagination Library, to help gather data about the program.
- We will be looking at ways to continue providing families with information about the importance of literacy and book ownership, as well as connecting families to their local libraries.
- There was an article shared in the Door County Advocate about Imagination Library. <https://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/story/news/local/door-co/2019/12/12/dolly-partons-imagination-library-sends-books-door-county-children/4403154002/?fbclid=IwAR2kZA4dFVwU0BfdjFeQswjBplY-nRawyXYn8ourzntJPeeVaJv35l4QSBk>

b. Updates on Fundraising and Grants

- Candis shared that we recently received a Sustainability Grant from the Door County Community Foundation to support parent education and engagement programs (Parent Cafes, Raising a Thinking Child).
- Culver's Fundraiser was Tuesday, November 12th. The fundraiser went quite well, raising more than \$500 for the DCPCF. Volunteers were required for this fundraiser.
- Papa Murphy's Fundraiser was Wednesday, December 4th. This fundraiser raised \$125. While a smaller amount, very little work was needed on our part to do this fundraiser (no staff time, no volunteer time).
- If you know of grants or fundraisers that would be a good fit for DCPCF, please let Chad and/or Rebecca know.

5. Discussion: Early Literacy and Celebration of Door County Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library’s 1st Birthday
 - a. We are excited to be celebrating one year of Imagination Library in Door County. In our first year, we provided more than 600 children will free books in the mail.
 - b. Beth shared a handout and some information about the importance of reading to young children and what parents/adults can do to help children get ready to read (Talking, Singing, Reading, Writing, Playing).
 - c. Candis shared a handout from the American Academy of Pediatrics. They have several handouts available on their website related to the importance of reading to young children and how to read to children at different age levels.
<https://www.aap.org/en-us/literacy/Pages/default.aspx>

6. Future 2020 Quarterly Partnership Meetings
 - a. In 2020, the Door County Partnership for Children and Families will continue to host Quarterly Partnership Meetings. Meetings will be on the 2nd Friday of every 3rd month at 8:15 a.m. in the 1st Floor Multi-Purpose Room at the Justice Center.
 - Upcoming Meeting Dates are:
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Next Meeting Date: Friday, March 13th, 2020 at 8:15 a.m.

