

Childcare Committee of the Bedford Area Resource Council

Meeting Minutes September 29, 2021

Note: Committee will now be called Childcare Action Group

Our Mission: The Early Childhood Committee of the Bedford Area Resource Council serves as a facilitator of conversation and action focusing on identifying and meeting the Early Childhood Care and Education needs of Bedford County's families.

Our Vision: All Bedford County families will have access to quality (Early Childhood) Care and Education for their children ages 0 – 12.

1. Welcome / Introductions

Present: Crystal Bailey(EHS), Janet Trent(EHS), Andy Crawford (DSS) Vanessa DeLio (VADSS), Susan Prillaman (VT Coop Ext), Mary Jo Boone (YMCA), Bridget Austin (Head Start), Cindy Perdue (BCPS), Kara Sensenig (BBCV) Holly Layne (BBCV)

Welcome Jordyn Dorman, intern to represent Crystal Bailey, Family Engagement Specialist for Early Head Start in Bedford, who will be out on maternity leave.

2. Survey Update

Survey has been launched. Thank you to Bedford's GIS team, Traci Blido and Pam Bailey and the whole group for your help. Two surveys went out – one for Families and one for Employers. Survey is open until Oct 29.

3. How to get this out

Holly will share via email to all Action group members to share. Bedford County Schools will share with elementary school families and on Facebook page. Holly will email local libraries. Other suggestions: Town of Bedford Electric bills, local newspapers, local organizations with newsletters, such as Parks and Rec. any places families frequent.

4. Fill out the strategy sections of the BARC 2021-2023 Implementation Plan

DONE!!! Thanks Andy!

Minutes submitted by Holly Layne, Chair

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