



MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN
Wednesday, May 1, 2019
MINUTES- APPROVED

Members Present: Sarah Dufresne (staff), Katie Bell (staff), Pat Schneider (staff), Jen Scanlon-Passmore, Kelly Zimmermann, Miguel Colon, Brenda Rivers, Debbie Plourde, Shamim Patwa, Judy Stoughton, Lisa Dahn, Jane Goldman, Susan Daley

Regrets: Tracy Smith, Bard Giardina, Hanna Brinkhaus

<i>WHAT</i>	<i>DISCUSSION</i>	<i>OUTCOME</i>
CALL TO ORDER	Sarah Dufresne called the meeting to order at 5:37 PM.	
CONSENT AGENDA	Minutes for the April meeting were not approved because Sarah forgot to send them out. They will go out for approval in June.	<i>Sarah will send draft April minutes for review.</i>
RECOGNITIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah Dufresne recognized Debbie Plourde as the new Director of MDD. • Jane Goldman recognized Brenda Rivers for all of her hard work at MDD during the interim. • Katie Bell recognized Sarah Dufresne for her hard work with the School Readiness Grant. 	
SCHOOL READINESS COUNCIL ITEMS/STAFF REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sarah Dufresne presented and reviewed a MEMO (see attached) to the council from the Review Panel. This MEMO contained the Panel’s recommendations for funding based on their scores of the RFP’s. • Susan Daley addressed the council stating that the board of Willow House chose to no longer pursue NAEYC Accreditation and that they are looking into other systems of accreditation. The lapse in Accreditation makes Willow House ineligible for SR funding at this time. (5:45PM) • A recommendation to council to continue funding to Community Children’s Center for fiscal year (FY) 2020 was approved unanimously at 6:03PM. • A recommendation to council to continue funding to UConn Child Labs for FY 2020 was approved unanimously at 6:04PM. • A recommendation to council to continue funding to Mansfield Discovery Depot for FY 2020 was approved unanimously at 6:05PM. • Sarah Dufresne presented and reviewed Quality Enhancement bids and proposals for FY20. (see attached) • Susan Daley made a motion to propose \$1,000 in In-Service, \$1,381 in Other Purchased Services, and \$1,500 to Supplies, where \$998 of that would go to CCC for iPads. The motion was seconded by Shamim Patwa. The Proposed QE Budget passed by majority at 6:43PM. In favor: Miguel Colon, Susan Daley, Jane Goldman, Judy Stoughton, Shamim Patwa, Kelly Zimmermann. 	<p><i>WH ineligible for SR funding for FY20.</i></p> <p><i>MAC approved continued SR funding for CCC for FY20.</i></p> <p><i>MAC approved continued SR funding for UCL for FY20.</i></p> <p><i>MAC approved continued SR funding for MDD for FY20.</i></p> <p><i>QE Budget approved for FY20.</i></p>

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	<p>Opposed: Lisa Dahn</p> <p>Abstentions: Debbie Plourde, Brenda Rivers</p>	
<p>TOPICAL DISCUSSION: School Building Project, Kelly Zimmermann</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southeast has been chosen as the site for the proposed elementary school. • There are many positives to this location: lower cost than MMS site, there was enough land, the building of the new school would not disrupt the current school or the baseball fields, access to the build site can be done around the back of the baseball fields which would not disrupt the current school, closer to public transportation, and still centrally located. • The building committee is committed to a net zero building, which would make it the first net zero school in CT. • There is a proposed design, but it is not the final design. The proposed design was used to calculate possible state reimbursement rates. • Referendum is expected for fall of 2019. If referendum passes, the plan would go out for bid for an architect. • There is a new website containing all information regarding the project: http://MansfieldElementaryProject.org • The two remaining schools would become town property and there are no plans for them yet. 	
CLOSING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upcoming agenda items: QE discussion, year in review 	
ADJOURN	<p>The meeting adjourned at 7:38PM.</p> <p>Next Regular MAC Meeting Wednesday, June 5, 2019</p>	

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