

**Washoe County School District  
Council on Family Resource Centers  
Meeting Minutes**

March 9, 2022

**1. OPENING ITEMS**

**1.01 CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting of the Council on Family Resource Centers was called to order at 6:00 P.M. at the WCSD Administration Building, 425 E. 9<sup>th</sup> St., Board Room, Reno, NV 89512 and via ZOOM Meetings for those unable to meet in person.

**1.02 ROLL CALL**

FRC Staff Evanson, conducted roll call. Board members Brenda Costello, Rebecca Paris, Susan Severt, and Rachel Kingham were present at roll call. Chairperson Scott Benton Sherilyn Elcano and Vanessa Vancour were not present at roll call.

**2. DISCUSSION, PRESENTATION AND ACTION ITEMS**

**2.01 INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON FAMIY RESOURCE CENTERS AND FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER STAFF (FOR INFORMATION ONLY.)**

Staff liaison Rechelle Murillo introduced new council member Rachel Kingham. Council member Kingham introduced herself providing information about her background and her excitement about being on the board.

**2.02 Election of Co-Chair for the Washoe County School District Council on Family Resource Centers for the remainder of the 2021-22 School Year from among the following: Sherilyn Elcano, Brenda Costello, Rebecca Pairis, Susan Severt, Rachel Kingham, and Vanessa Vancour (For Possible Action)**

Board Member Severt asked that this item be tabled for another meeting. Mrs. Severt stated it would allow for more input from additional board members. Item will be moved to a future agenda.

**2.03 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 2021 MEETING ON THE COUNCIL ON FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**

**On Motion by Brenda Costello, second by Susan Severt, the Council on Family Resource centers approved the minutes as presented** (Yea: Brenda Costello, Susan Severt, Rebecca Paris, and Rachel Kingham). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4-0.

**2.04 REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE REMAINING MEETING DATE OF THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT COUNCIL ON FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS FOR THE 2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR: JUNE 15, 2022 (FOR POSSIBLE ACTION)**

**On Motion by Susan Severt, second by Rachel Kingham, the Council on Family Resource Centers approved the minutes as presented** (Yea: Brenda Costello, Susan Severt, Rebecca Paris, and Rachel Kingham). Final Resolution: Motion Carries 4-0

**2.05 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF THE FUNDING STATUS AND GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS IN THE WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, INCLUDING POTENTIAL FUNDRAISING AND PUBLICITY OPPORTUNITIES (FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Staff Liaison Murillo stated this was an item Chair Benton wanted to discuss with board members. This agenda item will be moved to a future meeting.

**2.06 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF WASHOE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER YEAR-TO-DATE DATA AND OUTREACH EVENTS, INCLUDING FUTURE COMMUNITY OUTREACH EVENTS AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES (FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Staff member Guzman shared events FRC staff have attended since October. Mrs. Guzman shared FRC added a new site in North Valleys which has been doing a lot of outreach. Mrs. Guzman shared sites have provided food assistance with Mobile Harvest, Catholic Charities, and continued SNAP outreach. Mrs. Guzman discussed FRC's helping over 900 families with holiday assistance throughout the months of November and December. Staff member Evanson shared data on the FRC numbers of families served from July to December. Mr. Evanson shared Utility assistance, Rental (Emergency Housing), and Food assistance as continued high demand. Board Member Paris wanted to clarify information related to "Application Assistance." Mr. Evanson shared this information is any application that is processed and submitted through our Family Resource Centers. Board members discussed potential increase for food, travel, and continued rental assistance needs.

**2.07 PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF A FAMILY STABILITY PILOT PROGRAM AND FUTURE FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER SITES AT PROCTER R. HUG HIGH SCHOOL AND WILLIAM O'BRIEN MIDDLE SCHOOL, INCLUDING STAFF UPDATES (FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION ONLY)**

Staff Liaison Murillo shared WCSD Staff along with FRC staff have been working together with other community partners and UNR on a grant for the Family Stability Pilot. Ms. Murillo discussed the Family Stability Pilot submitted the grant, but due to ESSERs funds it was pulled for this year. Mr. Murillo states UNR is leading the process and they plan to apply for this grant once it has been re-released. Mr. Murillo stated there will be a new Family Resource Center at the new Wildcreek High School which will be named the Feemster Family Resource Center. Discussed the current North Valleys FRC will move to the new O'Brien Middle School for next school year.

**3. CLOSING ITEMS**

**3.01 Public Comment**

No public comment.

**3.02 Next Meeting Announcement – Wednesday, June 15, 2022.**

The next meeting of the Council on Family Resource Centers is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15th, 2022, at 6 PM in the WCSD Administration Building Board Room, 425 East 9th St. Reno, NV 89512.

**3.03 Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.