

LICC Minutes

August 21, 2025

*The motion to approve the minutes by Kimberly Van Beck and was seconded by Nikki Hinnant.

*\$2039.32 in LICC account – Carmen Martell

*\$800 mini grant application will be coming up with a Child Find activity- Carmen Martell

*'Touch a Truck- October 23- LICC table and have bags with Child Find Materials

*Child Find Fair- Booths with providers and have free screenings- hearing, vision and developmental delay screenings

Presenter #1- Triana Miles – Exceptional Children's Assistance Center

A private nonprofit organization committed to improving the lives and education and of ALL children, through a special

Parent Training and Information center- started in 1980 in Charlotte Schools/Mecklenburg

They are part of Region B

Target- Military Families, Rural families, Native American families and Youth with Disability

Serves all 100 counties. Teach the parents to be advocates

Services- Provide training, information and support, help families understand their rights, support family engagement in schools and communities, provide youth with job exploration counseling and training on self-advocacy and literacy readiness and increase families' knowledge of their children's disabilities strengths and challenges and resources to help navigate these challenges

Over 100 different training courses

Painting the Big picture- this worksheet has been created as a way for any adult to help paint the big picture of a child they care about and know well.

As of age 14 the child has the right to come to meetings for IEP's etc. and use their "voice"

Resources for Youth groups- get paid a stipend to attend the youth group meetings-www.ecac-parentcenter.org

Passed out brochure on Steps to Success- Communication with Your Child's School

2nd presenter- Clara Clinton – Harnett County Schools Preschool Director

When a child is 1 to 5 years old a child's brain develops faster than any other age.

Children ages 3 to 5 are served in EC classrooms, Elementary Schools, Head start, Nc pre k classroom and Home

They all have an IEP- Individualized Education Program

The CDSA send them the list once the child ages out of the Infant Toddler Program- Child Find of NC

Referrals are made by parents, doctors, providers, Nc Pre K and CDSA

Parents receive a Pre K packet if requested by dr, parent, etc.

Schedule DIAL screenings except the ones coming from CDSA

They then determine eligibility and develop an IEP and handle placement of the child into the Least Restrictive environment

Evaluations-, psychologist, PT, ST, and OT are always at evaluations

Harnett County locations- Anderson creek Primary, Coats, Lillington, North West and North Harnett Primary- and have blended classrooms

HCS EC Pre- K aims for High quality district – wide

IEP is fluid document the goals can be changed at any time

Starting a Pilot program to focus on social emotional programs

Presenter #3 Lavette Connelly- Johnson, Lee, and Harnett Community Action Head start

Community action- to empower poverty founded in 1964

Serve Head Start based on a score system based on income

They work within the ELA and the school systems to get support with in the classroom.

Making sure they children get the services that they need.

Self sufficiency program, short term training, literacy, housing supports help families that are struggling with income etc.

Federally funded programs- Weatherization programs to help seniors with home repairs, helping the families of head start as a whole

Call your local head start and the family advocate to get referred to head start. It starts with income base, and special needs.

Harnett County- enrolls over 300 students but is having a hard time finding certified teachers for Head Start

Head Start is federally funded and NC Pre K is 3 to 5 years old and state funded.

Bus transportation is not mandated

Closing remarks

Everyone can share information about their companies or provider agencies

Next Meeting will be held on October 16th