NHECC mtg 3-1-17

Council mtg notes

Welcome and introductions—

Kim Harris: teacher in residence program—CT CERCLE is funded by GMF

Update on the Racial Equity retreat—Gladys

Gave a brief overview of the retreat. Some of the members who attended the retreat shared what the experience meant to them.

Allyx-report about the organizational

Hierchical and Collaborative

New members vs institutional

Inner work—the council, out work-how council impacts the community

Report card, orientation of new council members

FY18 Budget Update

Committee Reports:

Access and Enrollment Committee

Quality Committee

Infant Toddler Committee

Racial Equity Committee

Grants Committee

Announcements

Fair Haven Family Stroll—the flyer was distributed

Council and community orgs are welcome to host a table

SAVE the DATE—May 6, 2017

Liz Teller:

Re Immigration Issue: some families are afraid to refer because of fear. Elizabeth is happy to talk to families to allay fears

Susan has seen children not attending preschool because of fear.

Cathy Lenihan—will be a topic for Help Me Grow breakfast—First Wed in Apri 5l at UW

CT legal services set up a hotline for families

CTChild Family Center has a list of resources that families can use.

Is there a protocol that NHPS uses? Eliza will forward to Randi to share with Council

Kim—what is the Council going to do to address this?

What is our advocacy role on this---

Kimber—need to have more people on the bylaw committee and a clear timeline.

Kimber motion—that the cmte be expanded to at least 6-7 people and be completed and will be reviewed at the April 5th mtg. Cmte will send the draft by-laws to the council prior to the meeting.

2nd Sue Logston

Discussion: there has to be a timeline for the Cmte to do it’s work.

Volunteer to be on the committee: sandy, Cathy, Dr Baker, Sadie, Rev Kimber, Lynn, Kim

Will work on the bylaws. Council will provide feedback and the committee will return with the final draft at the May meeting.

Recommendation:

All committees meeting—including the operations comte. Randi will resend the meeting calendar, including ops cmte.

The bylaws and protocol that the council has should include:

Minutes are sent out before the next meeting

Announcements of all cmte mtgs will be sent to ALL council members.

City Hall work on immigration

Mayor commissioned a group to work on this issue. The Board of Ed has worked on it too

Martha moving with Chief of Staff and community orgs and agencies such as DCF

Human Capacity Preparedness Plan

The document may be ready by March.

The distribution plan needs to be developed

FY18 Budget

Randi updated on the council budget

Grants committee working on grants

PreK access—mtg with DR Okafor on March 13th and will bring to prek cmte and council

QE- discussed the cmte’s infographic on the teacher education legislation and the plan to meet with legislators to discuss this.

Discussion re the burdens to centers of the Care4Kids training requirements .

Cathy Lenihan suggested that someone from OEC come to talk to the Council

I/T—working on a pamphlet that would give families know

Grants Committee—

SR Grant, QE grant

Kimber: are we lobbying for HB5196

Do we get money from NHPS?

Partnership between City, NHPS and others working to help low-income families know how to take advantage of resources to help children with testing.

Martha to forward where these events will be happening and Randi will forward to the council members.