

Kamaile P-3 Focus Group

Jan. 21, 2010 meeting minutes

Introductions:

Jasmine Paris- INPEACE, Community Resource Coordinator/P-3 Focus Group Co-Facilitator

LaurieAnn Dunn- INPEACE, P-3 ECE Program Liaison/Focus Group Facilitator

Kanoe Renaud- INPEACE, P-3 Program Director

Susan Ware- Kamaile Academy K Teacher

Kaleo Shimabukuro- CFS, Healthy Start O'ahu, Family Recruitment Worker

Susan Adler- UH West Oahu ECE Professor

Diane Arakaki- Kamaile Academy PCS, K-Teacher & GLC (grade level chair)

Dd Chang- Kamaile Academy PCS (1 Preschool class that services 3-5yr. olds), SPED PreK Teacher

Nicole Souza- Kamehameha Preschool Co-Director

Karina Patricio- CFS, Healthy Start O'ahu, Child Development Specialist

Patrick- (New) Kamaile Academy, SPED PreK Teacher

Suzie Uyeda- Head Start, Transitions Specialist

Kaila Lui-Kwan- Kamehameha Preschool Co-Director

Program Announcements:

1. Diane informs the group that Kamaile has Saturday school available for children in grades K-8 from 8-11a. A healthy snack is provided and includes paid field trips.
2. Suzie informs the group that Head Start is accepting applications for children born in 2006-2007 for the school year 2010-2011. Families can access the application at any of the Head Start sites as well as on their website at: www.hcap.org or call their office at 847-2400.
3. Kaila informs the group that there will be a Scholastic Book Sale held at Hoaliku Drake on Feb. 11-12 from 8:30a-2:30p. Any donations from the book sale will go to Kamaile Academy Preschool.
4. It was announced to the group that the 2010 Keiki Spring Fest will be held on Apr. 22nd from 9a-2p at the Wai'anae District Park.
5. Kanoe informs the group that a possible Comprehensive K Registration Event is currently in its planning stages to make it more accessible for families to register their child for Kindergarten early with help from the Public Health Nurses to provide TB tests, an update on immunizations and physicals if needed. Assistance from ECE programs and DOE administration will be provided. All services will be free.

Review meeting minutes held on Dec. 10th-

Make corrections to Patrick's title as Kamaile's new SPED PreK Teacher

Assessment & Screening Exchange-

LaurieAnn explained to the group regarding the consent form that she will follow up w/Lisa Delong for approval or if any other changes need to be made before finalizing as the consent form is considered to be more of a "transitions form" instead. LaurieAnn will share with the group any feedback at the next meeting.

Early K Registration Awareness-

Group conversation around Early K Registration Awareness was very interesting and exciting. Everyone shared what they have done in the past to raise awareness and what other ideas may be helpful in getting families to register their child early.

Diane mentions that Kamaile would like to have a Kindergaren Open House visit in May 2010 and will f/up with the group what days/times are available.

A suggestion from a few meetings ago was to see if a DOE representative could do a parent workshop with PreK families on the "School Readiness Initiative, Tips for Parents on Kindergarten Transition" brochure. If a representative is available, planning for a location, day and time with representation from Kamaile Academy, Keiki Steps, Head Start and Kamehameha will need to be coordinated. A date that was mentioned was for **March 9th** at **8am** pending confirmation of a location.

Site Visits-

(To be discussed at next meeting.)

Verify next meeting: Feb. 25, 2010
3:30pm-5:00pm at
Kamaile Academy PCS Room F103