

# Monroe County Local Early Intervention Coordinating Council (LEICC)

October 23, 2019, 9:30am-11:00am  
BOCES 1, 15 Linden Park, Rochester, NY 14625  
Meeting Minutes

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<https://www2.monroecounty.gov/hd-ei-parents-leicc>

Members Present: Roxana Inscho, Stephanie David, Pete Nabozny, Jennifer Campanella, Diane Weider, Kim Stisser, Robin Adair, Heather Dulisse (Parent), Cynthia Toleman, Danielle Salamone (Parent), Kim Dooher (Parent), Brittany Bowman Jencik (Parent), Sasha DiMaria, Kristin Kane, Jody Ellis, Sharon Shafir, Kristen Rogers, Nancy Consol, Dr. Michael Mendoza,

Members Absent: Tracey Taylor, Barbara Lemcke, Cindy Anderson, Beth Grier-Leva

Public Present: Marina Barnum (Parent), Tina Carney (Parent), Tabitha Corp (Parent), Pam Host (Parent), Scott Matthews, Heather Hanson

## Welcome and Introductions - (Roxana Inscho)

- Roxana thanked everyone for coming. She is relatively new, this is her second LEICC meeting. - All present introduced themselves and identified if they were a parent or representing a group.
- There is an LEICC website with some information (mission, bylaws, meeting dates and times (Roxana will update the website with future meeting dates and times): <https://www2.monroecounty.gov/hd-ei-parents-leicc>.
- Roxana passed out copies of the bylaws: [https://www2.monroecounty.gov/files/health/EI/Parents/LEICC/MC\\_LEICC\\_By-Laws.pdf](https://www2.monroecounty.gov/files/health/EI/Parents/LEICC/MC_LEICC_By-Laws.pdf).
- Bylaws have not been used in recent years. Roxana asked those present to review them, make notes, and we'll discuss them at the January meeting and perhaps vote on Leadership.
- When asked what parts of the bylaws haven't been used, Roxana said there are currently no one in the Executive Committee roles (Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary). Official meeting minutes have not been taken in some time. Meetings are not live streamed or recorded, though that might be a possibility. There also could be an option to call in to a meeting.
- ASL interpretation can be available upon request.
- Parent involvement in the committee is wanted. Parents present want to be involved.
- There have been some brochures created in the past, a copy was not available for attendees to see.
- Current meeting time is challenging for parents to attend due to bus/ drop offs at schools. Evenings tend to work best for parents, mornings seem to work well for the rest of group. Perhaps a parent subcommittee could convene in the evenings.
- Roxana will circulate a surveymonkey to capture when is good to meet for most members.
- Heather Hansen shared Tracy Taylor who was absent is interested in serving as Co-Chairperson with a parent Co-Chairperson. Parent Kim Dooher indicated interest as being Co-Chairperson.
- Roxana share notice must be given prior to a vote at a meeting.
- Group requested that past minutes be shared. Minutes will be posted to the Monroe County website

(see link above).

### **Presentation - Stephanie David, Children's Health Policy Associate, Common Ground Health**

<https://www.commongroundhealth.org/>

- Common Ground Health is a Health Systems Agency who works with 9 counties.
- They bring focus to community health issues via data analysis, community engagement and solution implementation through community collaboration and partnership.
- Recent survey of families, showed nutrition and obesity were the number one concerns. Mental Health and wellness was another concern identified.
- Discussed Healthi Kids initiative: funded through greater Rochester health foundation and NYS DOH started roughly 10 years ago focusing on weight. Play is central for learning birth – grade 3.
- Common Ground to convene a regional group of EI/PSE stakeholders for a series of meetings to explore challenges, share what is working well and consider opportunities for leveraging resources. The meetings will start with local county EI leaders.
- Concern from the group was notes of need for parental involvement. Stephanie assured the group that parents would also be involved. They are starting with county health leaders and expanding to other stakeholders.
- a provider training was held early October on a new diagnosis tool by <https://www.zerotothree.org/>

### **Committee, Task Force updates**

- Tabled to next meeting.
- Next meeting to discuss how LEICC can partner with existing community work groups and identify needs for additional work groups.
- Some discussion for a need for a parent subgroup and a clinician/community education work group. - -
- There was a question about who else needs to be invited to join our LEICC table.

### **Program Updates**

- Roxana Inscho, Monroe County is a member of NYSAC's Children with Special Needs standing committee and EICC Workforce Capacity Task Force. Will bring ideas, information and concerns from this LEICC group to committees.
- Multiple parents expressed concerns that their voices were not being heard (legislative meetings, previous LEICC meetings, NYSAC) by those tasked with bringing concerns and solutions to Albany
- Dr. Mendoza shared appreciation for LEICC involvement and increased parent presence a LEICC. He asked that the community use this group to voice concerns, propose solutions.
- It was suggested that more LEICC meetings be scheduled more often than quarterly.
- Often the group works in subcommittees between LEICC meetings.
- Next LEICC meeting is tentatively scheduled for November 20, 2019; Location tentatively is BOCES 1; time TBD.
- Requests for accommodations should be sent to [rinscho@monroecounty.gov](mailto:rinscho@monroecounty.gov) prior to the meeting.

### **Other business/ Announcements/ Opportunities for Involvement:**

- Peter Nabozny shared that the next NYS Early Intervention Coordinating Council meeting will be held

12/11/19 10:15-3pm. The public may view and sign up for public comment at a local remote location- Rochester Western Region Office, 335 East Main St. 14604

- The Children's Agenda via the Interfaith Collaborative with support from Parents Helping Parents and Tonia Burton of Monroe County Library is sponsoring a letter writing drive NOW through November 15<sup>th</sup> urging NY to take action and increase funding for EI services. Everyone is invited to participate. Contact Kim Dooher or Danielle Salamone for letters or more information.

**Next Meeting**

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