

## Mayor's Commission for Children December Minutes

Tuesday December 11 2018 8 am

Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Bill Foster South Conference Room

Members present: Jennifer McClure, Gerry Lee, Bria Coale, Christy Davis, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews, Linda Ramey-Greiwe, Missy Riley, Susie Henderson

Members absent: Shara Cash

Advisory Council present: Dr. Laurie Edmondson, Dr. Doug McNeal, Mike White, Alexis Brown, Jan Fisk, Dr. Kayce Morton, John Chastain, Carol Wooten, Dr. Jennifer Baker, Trysta Herzog, Linda Saturno, Chris Jarratt

Advisory Council absent: Paul Satterwhite, Morey Mechlin, Dr. Denise Fredrick, Amy Chenoweth, Kimberly Shinn-Brown, Pat Gartland

Gerry opened the meeting at 8:05. He welcomed guests Linda Saturno, Chris Jarratt and Trysta Herzog who were voted in at last night's council meeting to become new members of the Mayor's Commission for Children. Mike White, former chairman of the MCC, is joining advisory council and is representing Every Child Promise. New members and existing members introduced themselves to the group.

Gerry introduced Todd Parnell and Dana Carroll as guests and presenters regarding an update on the Every Child Promise initiative. Todd brought books that individual members purchased to help with the Every Child Promise endowment. Todd thanked the commission for its long history in support of early childhood education.

Minutes were approved after adding Carol Wooten as present. Motion made by Dr. Elizabeth Andrews and second by Missy Riley. A discussion on our inclement weather policy. We will not meet if Springfield Public Schools are not in session unless we have an out of town speaker who is in the area already to present.

Discussion on Legislative priorities for 2019 insured after looking at SPS, City, and Chamber. Brigitte gave updates and round the table announcements were made. Brigitte will schedule someone from SPS to talk to us about upcoming bond issue. Also, we will be rolling out the kindergarten study possibly in March.

Gerry Lee adjourned the meeting at 9:07.