



All New Haven children, birth through 8 are healthy, safe, thriving in nurturing families and prepared to be successful lifelong learners.

NHECC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes / Virtual Meeting

September 27, 2021 / Time: 3:00-4:30 pm

Present: Jennifer Heath, Randi McCray, Sarah Fabish, Dijonee Talley, Sherri Killins Stewart, Wendy Simmons, Eliza Halsey, Allyx Schiavone and Cynthia Watson.

Welcome and Opening Remarks – J. Heath

Overview / Goal of Meeting – R. McCray (see 9/23/21 email for further contexts)

1. Framework to guide work for next year
2. Explore Council role to center voices of families within the selected framework
3. See 9/23/2021 email attachments and context of above #1 & #2
 - a. NHECC E-Committee Priority List / b. NHECC Council Strategic Planning Feedback

Committee Dialogue – R. McCray et. Al

Who are we trying to impact as the council?

1. Children and families who are marginalized
2. Providers, anyone who serve children, identified neighborhoods, workforce

Where are families having contact for support?

1. Data can identify location pre/post COVID-19

How can we obtain data from families?

1. RFP for small study

What framework will aid the Council/Executive Committee? – Possible frameworks for exploration S. Stewart et. al

1. <https://belenetwork.medium.com/the-bele-framework-a-guide-to-building-equitable-learning-environments-29cb4027ce81>
2. https://www.fcd-us.org/assets/2016/04/PreK-3rd_Framework_Legal-paper.pdf
3. https://www.childtrends.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/AccessFrameworkCCDBG_ChildTrends_August2020.pdf

Executive Committee Next Steps – J. Heath

1. Pull data together for analysis i.e. data on businesses and children and families (see attachment New Haven 2021 Equity Profile 9/23/21 email for further contexts)
 - o Possible data question: “What is the Council influence / Impact / space / sphere?”
2. Curated recommendations
3. Someone to attend or hold quarterly meeting with NHPS Superintendent
 - o Contact Evie Velazquez, NHPS / Possible Partner
 - o D. Talley move meeting forward
4. **Upcoming Agenda Items**
 - o Retreat
 - o October Council Agenda – please send agenda items to R. McCray or J. Heath

Meeting Adjourned at 4:33 PM. Next Meeting October 25, 2021 at 3:00