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GRADS Advisory Group Meeting

May 14, 2019

Facilitator: Kristi Dominguez, Executive Director of Teaching and Learning

Members: Stephanie Schroeder, Meghan Dunham, Jolyn Hunt, Vicki Lee, Michelle Wilhelm, Sonia Bell, Meagan Dawson, Debbie Haney, Amy Brewster

Absent: Jeff McKenna, Michelle Anderson, Geraldine Coleman (excused), Wendy Courtemanche, Janel Erchinger-Davis, Tiffany Knudsen, Kari Miller, Erika Moore, Darci Peterson (excused), Gretchen Pflueger, Michael Sidwell, Erin Shaffer, Peggy Stephens (excused), Nicole Talley, Marcie Thran, Steve Wiley, Erin Burke, Kristin Cleary, Crystal Garcia, Maureen Hodge, Meghan Lever, Jennifer Lindbeck, Sophia Morales, Erin Schuldt

Minutes: Kris Newberry

Agenda Items	Discussion/Decisions
3:30 Welcome Kristi Dominguez	
Child Care Reports Stephanie Schroeder	<u>OHS</u> : 4 infants, 4 toddlers, 8 preK <u>SHS</u> : 3 infants, 5 toddlers <u>SqHS</u> : 4 infants, 6 toddlers Wait list is long at all sites
Classroom Reports Meghan Dunham, Michelle Wilhelm	<u>OHS</u> : 4 students, 1 graduating <u>SHS</u> : 10 students, 3 advocates <u>SqHS</u> : 2 graduating



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Cards for Students Michelle	One of the most meaningful activities is the personal connection adults have to students. The committee was asked to write words of encouragement to the students on greeting cards. Michelle will distribute these to the students. The committee will continue to write cards throughout the year.
Picnic at the Library	June 5 Story time will begin at 10:30, lunch at 11:00 a.m. Whatcom Community Foundation will be providing summer baskets All are welcome to attend
Summer Needs and Summer Extension Program	July 17: Fairhaven Water Park at 11:00 a.m. August 14; Touch Tank at 11:00 a.m. Whatcom Community Foundation will be providing a picnic lunch, diapers and wipes at both events.
Open House @ Sehome	This was our first outreach event using the ENLACE grant from OSPI. It was well attended. We provided pizza and salads as well as activities for the families. We've received a couple of referrals from the event.
Financial	Scholarship Fund: \$12,125.44 Other: \$178.97 We received a refund from WCC for a scholarship that wasn't used. We also spent \$125 for prom.
Announcements	More full-term pregnancies are occurring. Staff reach out to neighboring school district by visiting each one and distributing program flyers.