**SSPRPA Early Childhood Committee Meeting**

**Thursday, September 21st, 2023, 1:00pm**

**Zoom Meeting**

1. **Call to Order:** SSPRPA Early Childhood Zoom Meeting on Thursday, September 21st at 1:00pm
   1. Present:
      1. Kelly Matson – New Lenox Park District (Co-Chair)
      2. Devin Frendreis– Homewood Flossmoor Park District (Co-Chair)
      3. Karen Cooper- Joliet Park District
      4. Kristen Morrison – Frankfort Park District
      5. Debbie Moloney – Tinley Park Park District
      6. Rebecca Perkaus –Alsip Park District
      7. Kira Davis – Calumet Memorial Park District
2. **Committee Discussion**
   1. Early Childhood Workshop Re-Cap
      1. Need a Sub-Committee.
      2. Sending out a survey to committee members regarding EC Workshop 2024.
      3. Change of venue next year? Tinley for 2024?
      4. Staff feedback was reportedly good, saying they got a lot out of it.
      5. Debbie Maloney has volunteered to join the sub-committee.
      6. IPRA CEU’s next year included?
      7. Lakeshore Learning & Discount School Supply great resources.
   2. In-Person Meetings
      1. Possible Preschool Tours
      2. Would they be well attended?
      3. Will re-visit this when more people are in attendance to vote on it.
   3. School Year Highs & Lows
      1. Tinley hosted “Popsicles in the Park” to kick-off the school year in August with the teachers. Very well attended 2 hour event.
      2. Kids are out sick with Croup and various illnesses already.
      3. Fire Drills and Tornado Drills.
      4. Increased IEP Children.
      5. Increase in kids who are not potty trained.
   4. Discipline Procedures
      1. Three Strike Policy
      2. School District testing dates
      3. Parent Meetings
      4. Out-Placing vs In-Placing
      5. Starnet Training
      6. Utilizing your Special Recreation or School District for those needing additional resources.
3. **Adjournment:** 2:00pm

**Upcoming Zoom Meeting:** October 26th at 1pm.