



Meeting Minutes

9/12/2022

Presentation: Learning Environments: Planning for Positive Behaviors

There were 15 people in attendance, including six board members: Kathryn Linch-President; Christine Hudon-Vice President; Donny Caudill-VP of Communications; Dorothy Brown-Treasurer; Shannon Jones-Secretary; and Rhonda Golden-Member at Large

Six centers were represented.

Donny Caudill introduced the HSECA board members present then handed the class over to Terri Helms. Terri introduced the class subject matter, spoke briefly about the Child Development Early Learning Standards and the AECA conference coming up in October.

Terri Helms and Kathryn Linch gave the presentation on how we can plan for positive behaviors. We discussed how gardening is similar to being a teacher. The class participants wrote several similarities on sticky notes and placed them on a chart at the front of the room. We discussed what appropriate expectations for children are, how we can allow for developmental needs and how to be intentional about classroom arrangement. Three different scenarios were presented concerning different behaviors that might be seen in an early childhood classroom. We discussed how the behavior is or is not appropriate and how to facilitate appropriate behavior. We briefly discussed the importance of planning for transitions. A handout concerning outdoor spaces was highlighted briefly due to time restraints.

There was a time for questions. Terri then handed out door prizes and class was dismissed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm