

Stamford School Readiness Council
Parent Outreach Committee Meeting
November 1, 2011
12:00-1:00 p.m.
Government Center, Operations Conference Room

MEETING SUMMARY

Attendees

Karen Brennan	Stamford Discovery Coordinator, United Way of Western CT
Bridget Fox	Chair, Stamford School Readiness Council
Keiah Minott, Co-Chair	Parent
Lucas Romero	Children's Choir Director, St. Mary's Church

Plans for November 18 Swingset Mamas Event/December 8th Goodnight Moon Event

Ticket sales for the November 18 Swingset Mamas benefit concert continue to climb. To date we have sold three VIP packages and 79 general admission packages (for a total of 91 tickets) and seven sponsorships. Our goal is to sell 200 tickets. Bridget has arranged for flyers to go home in backpacks for all K-2 Stamford Public School children on Friday, November 4.

We would appreciate all Committee members helping out the night of the event. Expect a follow up e-mail with assignments and the parking pass. Committee members are encouraged to bring their children and do not need to purchase tickets. Simply e-mail Karen to let her know how many will be attending.

Bridget will take care of sending press releases out for both the November 18 concert and the December 8 Goodnight Moon performance.

Winter/Spring 2012 Calendar of Events

We discussed the winter/spring calendar again:

- Bridget has sent an e-mail to Marji Lipshez-Shapiro, Director of Education at the Anti-Defamation League, about conducting a bullying workshop in early February. She will follow up and get back to the Committee via e-mail.
- It was agreed that we'll try to host two Play and Learn Nights, one at Maple Avenue in May and one at the Library in June. We discussed always using the Library space, but rotating our other night around to various locations, such as the Yerwood Center. Bridget will speak with Michele Sabia to make sure she is on board with running multiple nights. Ideally, all the materials will stay the same so we'll simply need to reproduce parent packages and recruit teacher helpers.
- Lucas is going to give some thought to a possible technology workshop that introduces parents from birth to 8 to online educational web sites and resources. He will follow up with Keiah on this. We are targeting a Saturday in January and doing this for members of his church.
- The Early Childhood Fair will again be in late May.

Next Meeting

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 13 at Government Center.