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Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC)



The second meeting for the Florida Migrant Parent Advisory Council (FMPAC) for the 2013-2014 school year took place at the Rosen Shingle Creek in Orlando, Florida on December 6 & 7, 2013. Dr. Maria Pouncey welcomed members and called the meeting to order. There were 13 members present. There were two new parent representatives added to the board, Rosa Flores from Polk County, and Maricela Paniagua from Palm Beach County. All members introduced themselves during the icebreaker activity. Agenda and minutes were reviewed and approved.

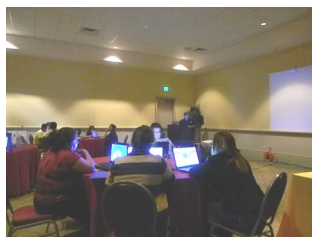
Presentation:



Roxana Bruiget from the Family Network on Disabilities gave a presentation on the principal of

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). She also talked to them about the Individualized Education Plan (IEP) and went more into more detail on Senate Bill 1108.

Sigfredo Rodriguez from the Panhandle Area Education Consortium gave a presentation on Email and Password Security. He spoke on the importance of



creating a more complex password. Complex passwords help prevent various security issues like identity theft.

Sara Hamill, a teacher for the Migrant Education Program, presented on Parent Teacher Collaboration from the Mexican American Legal Defense and Education Fund (MALDEF). She shared on how parents can prepare for a parent teacher conference. She also talked about her experiences working with migrant students and families.

Dr. Maria Pouncey, FMPAC Coordinator, presented on the subject of "Copycats" from the Parenting Counts Curriculum. She stated that parents are their child's first teacher. She reminded everyone that children look, listen and learn from us.

Before the closing of the meeting, members gave their own presentations. Each member gave a presentation on what they are doing in their districts. The presentations were very informative and it was a good way





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Message from the FMPAC President:

Our second FMPAC meeting went very well. I would like to thank everyone who participated in our December meeting. I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome the new members. The presentations were very informative and the presenters are very knowledgeable about the topics. At this meeting, we learned about Family Network on Disabilities, computers and about the Parent Teacher Collaborations in school. We learned a lot from these trainings. We need to take everything we learned back to our districts. I would like to thank Dr. Pouncey for giving us the opportunity to have these trainings. I would also like to thank Fabiola for supporting us.

Thank you all,
Elizabeth Galvan



FMPAC Members

By County

Collier

Guillermo Ramirez

Dade

Samantha Torres

Hillsborough

Arcelia Lopez

Orange

Maria Lopez

Palm Beach

Maricela Paniagua

Pasco

Elizabeth Ochoa

Polk

Rosa Flores

Sara Hernandez

Putnam

Maria G. Rodriguez

Sarasota

Juan Vazquez

Suwannee

Epifania Maya

FMPAC District

Members by County

Dade

Martha Torres

Madison

Nicholas Gonzalez

Orange

Olga Marquez

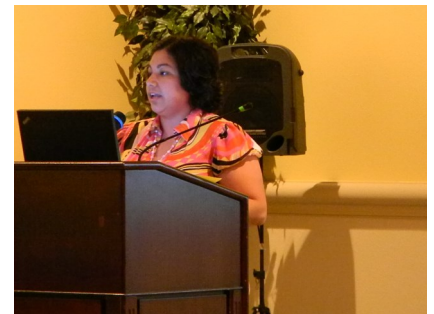
Suwannee

Naela Jimenez

Volusia

Katie Amaral

Member Presentations





Participant Survey Results

Trainings/Workshops:	
Family Network on Disabilities: IDEA/IEP	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 3
Computer Training	Strongly agree = 12 Agree = 2
Family Network on Disabilities: Senate Bill 1108	Strongly agree = 14 Agree = 1
MALDEF: Chapter 3 Parent Teacher Partnership	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 2 Neutral = 1 Disagree = 1
Copycats	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
Member Presentations	Strongly agree = 10 Agree = 2 Neutral = 1
Accommodations	
Hotel (your room) was comfortable.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
The food was of good taste.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
The hotel staff was kind.	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 2
PAEC staff was helpful during the conference preparations.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
The meeting room was comfortable (it was not too cold or too hot).	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 3 Neutral = 1
The material used was easy to understand	Strongly agree = 13 Agree = 1
Meeting times, location, and childcare:	
Weekend meetings.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 1
Childcare available.	Strongly agree = 11 Agree = 2 Neutral = 2
Central area in Orlando.	Strongly agree = 15 Agree = 0
Central place (in Orlando instead of another Florida city) for all members.	Strongly agree = 14 Agree = 0 Neutral = 2

References

Leadership & Social Action, Methodology Guidebook, (2004). MALDEF Parent and School Partnership. Understanding Group Process.

Parenting Counts is a trademark of Talaris Research Institute (2004)

Visit the FMPAC website myfmpac.org/espanol for this PowerPoint presentation in Spanish and www.myfmpac.org for other presentations.





Copycats

Helpful Parenting Tips:

- Babies are active learners from the start! Think of your home as your child's first classroom, and everybody in your home as your child's first teacher.
- Remember that babies watch and might copy the things we do right from birth. Try to provide positive examples early on.
- Be careful about what your child sees on television. Remember that babies don't know what's safe to do and what's dangerous. They might copy something they've seen on television days or weeks after watching it.

Parent Teacher Partnership



Helpful Tips you can do before a Parent Teacher Conference

1. Talk to your child.
2. Prepare a list of questions.
3. Go to the conference prepared.
4. Remain calm.
5. Express your opinion clearly and listen closely.
6. Ask to find out about his/her strengths.
7. Take notes on important comments.
8. Follow up on any agreements.



Make sure each party does what is agreed upon.



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