

## **Northwood Villages and Walnut Oak Resident Meeting**

**May 5, 2021**

**I. Opening** - The audio started after the opening.

**II. Welcome/Introduction** - The audio started after the introduction.

### **III. Presentation of COFI**

Ms. Margasi (SP) presented to the residents who they are and what they do. She presented a short film to the residents on the Parent Leader Network. Ms. Dixie discussed what they believe regarding parents and their role in childhood agencies and systems.

Ms. Dixie presented on the process of COFI. She then discussed the COFI training process, which begins with the individual needs, family, and then team. Ms. Bates interjected and suggested opening up the meeting to resident feedback at this point. Questions and comments by the residents were addressed.

Ms. Dixie proceeded to discuss the COFI course process, which consists of a personal action plan, family action plan, and then the group determines a common goal. She presented on the team building process of the COFI course, such as ground rules, action planning, resolving conflict, etc.

Ms. Dixie recalled a quick card resources project the last group of parents completed. She overviewed what was included in the resources card and why they were important. Ms. Bates asked if any resident on the call does not have a quick card. A couple of the residents answered that they do not have one and provided their names and information in order to get one. Ms. Bates asked Ms. Bethune and Ms. Immani (SP) to make arrangements to provide and distribute quick cards for all three communities within the week. Ms. Dixie expressed parents didn't want to be reliant on an agency for communication and also wanted a name to reflect their mission, which is now LUAU, Lift Up Another Unconditionally. Ms. Dixie also presented the contact information to LUAU. Ms. Dixie shared resources for the weekly Tuesday resource fair to the residents in order to find out what resources are needed in the community and provide those, such as school supplies, shoes, bedding, etc. Ms. Dixie expressed the vision for change to the residents and stated the need to not wait until later but work together to accomplish goals. Ms. Dixie opened the call for questions.

#### **IV. Resident Input**

Questions and comments by the residents were addressed,

expressing their excitement about the program, details to donate items, etc. Ms. Bates closed the question session and encouraged the residents to get involved in these programs. Ms. Bates shared the final phases of the new property names to the residents. Questions and comments by the residents were addressed, such as stair repairs, the status of adding playgrounds to the property, the status and process of the building renovations.

#### **V. Housing Manager Announcements**

Ms. Bates shared with the residents the result of what was done with the HUD CARES funds, such as providing hurricane backpacks for families with emergency supplies and encouraged the residents to prepare for hurricanes. She also encouraged the residents to check out the website for more information. Ms. Bates also shared that the recent STEAM class graduated. Questions by the residents were addressed, such as renovations of Northwoods II.

#### **VI. Closing**

Ms. Bethune conducted the roll call of the residents. Ms. Bates clarified the gift cards are for residents who participated. Ms. Bethune thanked the residents for joining the call and encouraged the residents to read the information in flyers and ask questions. Ms. Bethune stated

the resident meetings will be same time every month. Ms.  
Bethune closed the meeting.

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