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Niswonger Foundation
2015-16 Work Plan Summary

NF Area of Operation	Activity Name	Strategy/Description	Target Dates	Point Staff Person / Comments	May 2016 Updates
PROGRAMS					
Community Partnerships					
	International Storytelling	Live Stream	October	Nancy	Check mailed; Report received
	Books from Birth	State Board member		Nancy	Will follow re: additional hospitals
	Work Ethic diploma	Pilot for Greene Center (maybe Greene Co.) for 2017 graduates		Vivian	Progressing... Both BOEs approved for 2016-17.
		Monitor similar efforts in other counties (i.e. Sullivan, Washington)		Nancy, Richard	Community awareness meeting TBD. 3 addit. systems implementing work-ethic diploma. Ongoing conversations w/ area CTE Directors

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	Tusculum Institute	Professionalism for Leadership program		Nancy	Awaiting annual report.
	Tusculum College	History Day	November (annual)	Kathy, Nancy	
	NPAC	Camp NPAC for Kids	August (annual)	Kathy, Nancy	
	Newspapers in Education	Newspapers for classrooms	November (annual)	Kathy, Nancy	
	The Dictionary Project	Dictionaries for 3 rd graders	August (annual)	Barbara, Nancy	
	Second Harvest Food Bank	Backpack program	November	Nancy	NF Board approved
Niswonger Scholars	Summer Training	5-day leadership	May 23-27	Nancy, Barbara	
	Winter Training		Dec. 19-20	Nancy, Barbara	
	Alumni Meeting		Dec. 17	Nancy, Barbara	
	2017 selection		Nov. 9	Nancy, Barbara	
	Scholar trips	Seniors – Normandy Juniors – New York Freshmen - Boat	May 28-Jun 6 Aug 4-7 May 19-22	Nancy	
	Senior Scholars	Graduation Dinner	May 24	Nancy, Barbara	
Niswonger CARE (C3)	Staff meeting	Monthly staff meeting to update, train, and share best practices	Last Friday of month	Denise, Amy, Anita	
	Leadership Meetings	Ongoing planning and program evaluation	Every Wednesday	Denise, Amy, Anita	
	Advisory Board	Leadership Council	February	Denise, Nancy	First meeting held March 10

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	Yr. 1 Advisor Evaluation	Final feedback collected from site facilitators	April, May	Denise, Amy, Anita	Ongoing, non-responders being contacted individually.
	Yr. 2 Advisor Intent to Return	Advisor commitment to return or 2 nd year.	April	Denise, Amy, Anita	7/9 full-time Advisors intend to return.
	Year 2 Advisor Placement	School Placements based on intent to return and intern selections	April, May	Denise, Amy, Anita	Process underway.
	Year 2 Advisor Recruitment	Recruiting/Interview process	May	Denise, Amy, Anita	Several applicants identified.
	Year 2 offer of employment	Formal offer/evaluation results to Advisors for 2 nd year position	May	Denise, Amy, Anita	Scheduled for 1 st two weeks in May 2016.
	Advisor Training	2016-17 Summer Orientation/Training	July, August	Denise, Amy, Anita	Formal training to begin in July with face to face dates and online platform
	SREB/Go Alliance	College access training course	March-April	Amy	Continued communication with TDOE; facilitator training will be completed on May 6, 2016.

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		Spring Classes	Ends May 9	Gina	Grades ready May 11
		Summer Classes	June 6 – July 29	Gina	June 1 teacher mtg. Enrollment in progress.
		Explore options for future expansion of offerings		Gina, Richard	Ongoing
		Course selection (for purchase)			Considering a middle school class.
	Coding	Variety of topics, levels, and delivery approaches being developed.			Plans being finalized; calendar and communications coming soon
	Additional student enrichment	CAD/CAM proposal (see below)			2 weeklong summer camps scheduled.
		GIST Camps			2 weeklong camps scheduled.
		Single-day Code & Tech sessions			4 scheduled for girls; 2 general sessions.
Professional Development (C3)					

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	Leadership for Blended Learning	Train-the-trainer (by Friday Institute)		Vivian, Gina	April 12-14 Team (12 NF and district reps).
		C3 LBL cohorts	2016-17	Vivian, Gina	Cohorts are TBD.
School Partnerships					
	Possible Follow-up (on approved projects)	Unaka Elem. (Math with Movement) Cosby HS (Chromebooks) Hawkins Co – FETC NSTA Conference (Hampton HS and Univ. HS) NCTM – Greene Co Chuckey-Doak SAILS lab			Funded. Implementation in process (school) School/NF will share costs.
OUTREACH					
Advocacy	TN Legislature	AP support			
		Vouchers			
	TN Ready				
Governor's Transformational Leadership Advisory Council			Jan. 25 meeting	Ongoing	Nancy

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Medium	Dissemination (in i3-endorsed forum)	Publish articles (and discussions)	ongoing	Vivian, Nancy, Richard	Article posted (Sustainability). Article planned (Rigor).
i3 Rural Communities of Practice	Various (webinars, etc.)			Richard, Vivian	Scheduled for June 2016 Grantee Spotlight
ETSU Center of Excellence in STEM Education	MSP grants			Richard	2 submitted; 1 funded
	MathElites ScienceElites			Richard	Unlikely for 2106. Considering similar in Morristown
ETSU Dept. of Public Health		Public Health Improvement Plan (PHIP)		Richard	April 29 State Plan report... a follow-up (to initial Nov. 19 mtg)
ETSU Dept. of Computing	PASTA	Develop a working partnership		Nancy, Richard, Terry	First distribution to literacy pilot schools.
		Cocke Co. and Greene Co. needs		Nancy, Richard, Terry	Next distribution Spring 2016
SCORE			ongoing	Nancy	
State BOE		Suggestion(s) for student representative		Nancy, Vivian	Completed; 2 nominees under consideration

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ADMINISTRATION & OPERATIONS					
C3 Leadership Council				Nancy, Richard	First convened meeting – March 8
C3 Business-related	Invoicing, contracts, etc.			Richard, Kathy	
i3... finalize 2010 project				On schedule.	
Communications			2016	Nancy, Richard	Assessing opportunity for 2016
	Web page			Barbara	
	Publications	Spring newsletter		Nancy	
		Fall newsletter		Nancy	completed
		Annual Report		Nancy	completed
		Scholars' Directory		Barbara	completed
	Social Media		Barbara		
Events					
Facilities			2015-16	Nancy	
	Future space (downtown)		August 2016	Nancy	Meeting (Nov. 18)
	Valleybrook	Internet			Verizon "hot spot"
		Offices			~Feb 1 moved in

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	ISTE				
	/NACOL	Institutional membership		Vivian, Gina	Attend nat'l conference (staff rep(s)/one LEA rep possible).
	International Literacy Association (ILA)				
	NROC	Institutional membership			Continued membership under consideration