

Full Collaborative Meeting
Wednesday, October 8th, 2008; 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm
Project Turnabout; Granite Falls, MN

Present: Allen Stoeckman, YME School Superintendent
Alvaro Patino, PACT 4 Guía Program Coord.
Amanda Olson, Harmony Visitation Center
Amber Mitchell, Renville County student
Amy Wilde, Meeker County Commissioner
Ann Orren, PACT 4 Yellow Medicine Co. Coalition Coord.
Annie Tepfer, PACT 4 Renville Co. Coalition Coord.
Bob Fox, Renville Co. Commissioner
Brian Skogen, Canby/PACT 4 School Social Worker
Bryan Thiery, YMCA Community Outreach Director
Carmen Tschida, Dassel/Cokato School Social Worker
Carol Hutchings, parent
Chery Johnson, Kandiyohi Co. Public Health Asst. Director
Chris Sullivan, Renville County young adult
Cindy Louwagie, Countryside Public Health Nurse
Debb Sheehan, PACT 4 Director
Diane Winter, Meeker Co. Public Health Director
Dick Larson, Kandiyohi County Commissioner
Donna Henning, Heartland Community Partnership Resource Spec.
George Dubie, Greater MN Family Services Director
Greg Schmidt, MACCRAY School Superintendent
Gwenn Garcia, WC Integration Collab/PACT 4 Guía Intervention Spec
Jane Remiger, Yellow Medicine Co. Commissioner
Janice Madden, Project SHARE Director
Jill Bruns, Renville County Public Health Director
Jim Hiedeman, Upper Sioux Social Services
Jon Marchand, Greater MN Family Svcs Programs Coord.
Julie Evenson, Divine House Inc.
Julie Nelson, Yellow Medicine Co. Family Services
Julie Slaughter, Renville County parent
Karen Norell, YME School Principal
Karen Urban, Woodland Centers School Linked Coord.
Karyl Mooney, Renville County parent
Kathy Willing, Renville County parent
Kayla Reyerson, Western MH/Canby School Counselor
Kim Hanson, Woodland Centers Unit Director
Laurie Bliss, YMC parent
Lori Clasemann, MentorWorks Too Kinship Coordinator
Malea Radermacher, Renville Co. Human Svcs Social Worker
Margaret Khali, YME School Social Worker
Mark Sannerud, Project Turnabout
Mary Kay Sinner, Renville Co. Public Health Nurse
Maureen Mitchell, Renville County parent
Pat Thomas, Meeker Co. Social Svcs. Supervisor
Pete Van Der Puy, Central MN Christian School Super.
Polly Ann Peters, PACT 4 Family Liaison
Rebecca Warpula, Dassel/Cokato Early Childhood Programs
Renee Brandt, Project Turnabout ATOD Prevention Coord
Rick Loseth, PACT 4 Families Supervisor
Robert Finneseth, LAMP-Kinship Program Director
Ron Kutzke, Meeker County Commissioner
Sally Belgum-Blad, PACT 4 21st Century Coord.
Sheree Hable, Renville Co. Human Services Social Worker
Tammy Thompson, Meeker Co. Probation Director
Tricia Buggs, PACT 4 Restorative Justice Coordinator
Vicki Lippert, Renville Co. Human Svcs Social Worker
Virginia Sullivan, Renville County parent
Wendell Veurink, Greater MN Family Svcs Counselor
Wendy Walz, Litchfield School Early Childhood Prog.

1. Approval of Minutes

Kathy Willing offered a motion to approve the September minutes as presented; Dick Larson offered a second. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Agenda

Julie Slaughter offered a motion to approve the agenda as written; Bob Fox offered a second. Motion carried.

3. Project Turnabout

Michael Schiks, Director of Project Turnabout, welcomed us to the facility and gave a background and current update on Project Turnabout and its programs. Project Turnabout was founded as a nonprofit organization in the early 1970s to help people with alcohol and drug use problems. In 1991, Project Turnabout developed the Vanguard program for compulsive gambling. Over the years they have continued to grow and evolve, never losing sight of their mission -- to encourage and support healing through programs and services that are both effective and affordable. They are the second largest facility in the state – Hazelton is the largest. Their complete continuum of programs includes outpatient and residential treatment options, separate programs for men and women, extended care, halfway/transitional living, family services, and educational and prevention programs. The campus in Granite Falls offers separate care units, a meditation center, and recreation facilities in a quiet, safe location in Granite Falls. Outdoor recreation and walking trails through the natural prairie setting augment the active program components with time for relaxation and reflection. Vanguard, their nationally recognized residential program for compulsive gambling, is the only one of its kind in the state of Minnesota and one of a few available nationally. They hope in the next year to be able to offer an adolescent outpatient program in the Willmar area.

4. Renville and Yellow Medicine County Chemical Health Coalitions

There are nine of these planning and implementation grants throughout the state. These grants will be utilizing social norms marketing in an attempt to reduce underage drinking. According to Ann Orren, Yellow Medicine County Coordinator, the Social Norms Theory is that everybody else does more of everything than they actually do. Our two grants will be utilizing the Montana model of social norms marketing. This model has seven steps:

- Step 1: Planning and Environmental Advocacy
- Step 2: Baseline Data/Survey
- Step 3: Message Development
- Step 4: Develop an Advertising and Marketing Plan

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- Step 5: Stakeholder Testing
- Step 6: Implement the Campaign
- Step 7: Evaluation

For information about what this campaign or these steps entail, contact either of the two coordinators. Ann Orren is in Yellow Medicine County at 320-669-1460 and Annie Tepfer is in Renville County at 320-523-3845.

5. Committee Reports

- a. Executive Board – the Board met yesterday and conducted normal business operations. Three Board members' terms are up at the end of December. Carmen Clementson from Kandiyohi County Family Services serves as an At-Large member. Deb West from Kandiyohi County Community Corrections serves as the corrections representative. Jill Bruns from Renville County Public Health serves as the Public Health representative. The At-Large position is open to anyone from our partner agencies who acts in a supervisory or administrative type position. Elections will be held in December at the Full Collaborative meeting. If interested in running or nominating someone, contact Debb Sheehan at PACT 4 at debb_s@co.kandiyohi.mn.us. The Board also spent quite a bit of time on LCTS and grant updates. There was a meeting with the Title IV-E Specialists in each county, and we learned that there's quite a variance on how they are determining which kids should be put on the LCTS at risk list. The majority of the meeting was spent on sustainability and looking at budget options for the next year. A final budget recommendation will be brought to the Chief Elected Officials at their meeting in November, and results will be presented at the Full Collaborative meeting in December.
- b. Adolescent Services Committee – talked about getting a PACT4 link on schools' websites to help make kids aware of services that are available. Committee is compiling community youth resources through schools and agencies.
- c. Early Childhood Committee – heard a presentation from Countryside Public Health representative Mary Jungurith on the mental health service needs in the rural area. Talked about a Bush Foundation Planning Grant. The grant's emphasis is how to improve the social and emotional health of children birth to age five – similar to Project SUCCEED. Time was spent on a PrimeWest Grant application for materials and training for the Incredible Years parent program.
- d. Elementary/Middle School-Age Committee – moving forward with the Dr. Bluhm workshop on school connectedness, which will be on August 18th, 2009. A location needs to be found, CEU hours need to be defined, etc. Packets to distribute to all teachers and paras at PACT 4 partner school districts are being assembled. Each has a self-stick notepad and pen with school connectedness messages. Once a month, a different message will be sent to teachers to help enhance simple things to do to reinforce school connectedness.
- e. Mentors Committee – discussed the federal mentoring grant – we've not heard anything yet. Continued planning a joint program activity for all active mentor/mentee matches. Discussed marketing and advertising, getting the mentoring message out into the community more and where to get the dollars to pay for that. Discussed the possibility of writing a Discretionary grant to help with those costs.
- f. Wraparound Committee – discussed a handbook that Char Erickson has been working on that will be available to explain and outline Wraparound. They should be ready before the end of the year and the committee will review it at the next meeting.
- g. Parent Advisory Committee – have not yet met this month; no report.

6. Grant Reports

- a. Restorative Justice/Circle Sentencing – a Spanish bilingual Circle started last week and there is one that will begin in the New London area. This will bring the total number of active Circles to four. There has also been a great increase in referrals recently.
- b. SHARE – Janice Madden is now housed at the New London school. Her email is still the same as before, and the best contact number to use is her cell phone. She will be working closely with the NL/S business manager to monitor the Year Four no-cost extension, so that funds aren't overspent. The Coordinating Council met last month and heard survey results of last spring from Sarah Wennerberg. The next Coordinating Council meeting is in November after the Full Collaborative meeting. The Advisors and Liaisons will meet November 12th at 9:30 at West Central Industries in Willmar
- c. Chemical Health Coalitions – Renville/Yellow Medicine Counties – see above Agenda Item 4 as grant report.
- d. 21st Century Learning Community Center – Sally Belgum-Blad said that sites are running their programs. She highlighted Eden Valley-Watkins' program via a picture show that is on their website.
- e. Guía – program staff are continuing to meet with partner representatives to introduce them to the Guía program. We have

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begun to get referrals. There is still one opening for a Coach/Liaison position.

7. Other

a. Next Meeting – November 12th in Willmar.

b. Brain Conference – November 13th at Willmar Senior High School. Registrations forms are available on the PACT4 website.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Shawna Steffen, PACT 4.