

**Parent Advisory Committee**  
**February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007; 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm**  
**Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA; Willmar, MN**

Present: Sherry Kenney, Renville County parent  
Kathy Fransen, Woodland Centers Family Liaison  
Janae Langhoff, PACT 4 Supervisor  
Laurie Bliss, Yellow Medicine County parent  
Debbie Gerrety, PRIDE-4 (PACT 4) Liaison  
Rosa Eddy, Kandiyohi County parent  
Mark Moe, Renville County parent  
Deb Padilla, Kandiyohi County parent

Linda Hocum, Kandiyohi County parent  
Gayle Dean, Kandiyohi County parent  
Julie Slaughter, Renville County parent  
Virginia Sullivan, Renville County parent  
Karyl Mooney, Renville County parent  
Dawna Schmitz, Meeker County parent  
Kristine Moe, Renville County parent  
Sharane Biesiada, Kandiyohi County parent

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes  
Laurie Bliss offered a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting. Karyl Mooney second. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Agenda  
Laurie Bliss offered a motion to approve the agenda as written. Downa Schmitz second. Motion carried.
4. Parent Support Group  
At the first meeting, the attendance was small. Group discussion was held on how to get more parents involved. Ideas included a potluck meeting and providing daycare. The next support group is on February 20<sup>th</sup>, from 6-8pm at Woodland Centers in Olivia.
5. PACT 4 Updates  
Heard an update regarding the Toni Braness trial. Learned that Debb Sheehan was chosen as the new permanent director. The Meth Advisory committee is looking at writing a grant for Drug-Free Communities, to help with outreach activities. Parents are to RSVP to Shawna at PACT 4 by the Thursday prior to the parent advisory meetings.
6. Becky Absent
7. Fundraising  
\$222.00 was deposited from the candle sales. Julie Slaughter stated that the total included donations of \$24.00.
8. Trainings  
Debbie Gerrety gave updates of area trainings.
9. Other
  - a. Sherry Kenney spoke about a program called Fare for All where you can buy a package of food and pick it up. It is not only in Hector and the next closest location is in Montevideo. They are looking at expanding the program to other communities.
  - b. Parent and Kids Support Group for Aspergers and PDD (Pervasive Developmental Disorder), to assist the children in gaining socialization skills and support for parents, is in the beginning stages of formation. On March 24<sup>th</sup>, Barb will be holding a facilitator's workshop. The location will be announced later.
  - c. Debbie handed out new mileage forms.
  - d. Members broke out into different groups to work on parent retreat planning activities.
11. Next Meeting – March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2007.

*Recorder: Julie Slaughter*