

Parent Advisory Committee
April 9th, 2007; 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA; Willmar, MN

Present: Sherry Kenney, Renville County parent
Gayle Dean, Kandiyohi County parent
Julie Slaughter, Renville County parent
Laurie Bliss, Yellow Medicine County parent
Debbie Gerrety, PRIDE-4 (PACT 4) Liaison
Rosa Eddy, Kandiyohi County parent
Deb Padilla, Kandiyohi County parent
Patrick Guetter, Yellow Medicine County parent
Deb Kleven, Willmar School SHARE Parent Liaison
Debb Sheehan, PACT 4 Director

Linda Hocum, Kandiyohi County parent
Gracie Nieto, Woodland Center's Liaison
Becky Romosz, Kandiyohi County parent
Virginia Sullivan, Renville County parent
Karyl Mooney, Renville County parent
Kathie Fransen, Woodlands Family Liaison
Sharane Biesiada, Kandiyohi County parent
Scott Mooney, Renville County parent
Dwight Barrick, Meeker County parent
Linda Nelson, Kandiyohi County parent

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes
Karyl Mooney offered a motion to approve the minutes from the March meeting. Becky Romosz seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Agenda
Deb Padilla offered a motion to approve the agenda as written. Karyl Mooney seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. PACT 4 Updates
PACT 4 received word that their 21st Century Learning Center grant application was approved. School districts included in the application were: RCW, BOLD, ACGC, BL/H, Canby, Cedar Mt., ECHO, and EV/W. PACT 4 will host a part-time grant coordinator, and each site will have a part-time coordinator and will share talents between each school.

The LCTS grants have been approved by the Executive Board. Pulled out of LCTS funding were those schools listed above that had an after school grant submitted through the LCTS. Those will be funded through 21st Century.
5. Annual Meeting – April 12th, 2007
Pete Feigel is the main speaker. He suffers from MS and mental health issues.
6. Updates from Debbie
 - a. MPLN – Parent Leader Training in Hutchinson April 20th and 21st.
 - b. Pohlard Camp Scholarships – PACT 4 received \$10,000 in camp scholarship money for residential camps. Priority ages are 11-15 years old, and first-time campers.
 - c. MN ASAP – MN Adoption Support and Preservation; May 5th, 2007
 - d. Facilitators Training on April 13th and 14th
 - e. March 26th Social Security Disability Training Report – differences between SSI and SSDI
 - f. NAMI workshop “Hope for Recovery” Report – Shelley, the speaker, personalized it so attendees could respond on what was going on in their lives. She talked about psychiatric medications, and then had some time to talk about frustrations.
 - g. Letter for Donations – Pass out to those that still need it
7. Breakout for Sub Groups
 - a. Missions: What are the needs for our kids? Training for teachers; going into schools; making flyers for people to come to trainings, PAC
 - b. Parent Retreat: checking on getting massage therapists; making up an evaluation sheet for each breakout session and speakers; also a sheet for what parents would like to have for next year
 - c. Fundraising: talked about having multiple fundraisers going at one time; will be getting stuff ready for fundraisers in May and June; scratch-off for donations and one would receive a coupon sheet; candles for summer and holidays; candy bars.
8. Next Meeting – May 14th, 2007

Recorder: Julie Slaughter