

Parent Advisory Committee
March 12th, 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

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
Dawna Schmitz, Meeker County parent
Sharane Biesiada, Kandiyohi County parent
Scott Mooney, Renville County parent

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Minutes
Karyl Mooney offered a motion to approve the minutes from the February meeting. Julie Slaughter seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Agenda
Karyl Mooney offered a motion to approve the agenda as written. Julie Slaughter seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. PACT 4 Updates
The PACT 4 Director, Debb Sheehan, was sick and unable to give updates on recent events. Debbie Gerrety stated that Janae Langhoff had resigned. Julie Slaughter stated that she would like this committee to send her a card of thanks.
5. Updates from Debbie
 - a. MPLN – information given on a 2-day training for MPLN. One is in Hutchison and one is in Brainerd. Dawna stated that parents could get help to go from their county of residence.
 - b. Pohlad Camp Scholarships – PACT 4 was again awarded a grant. Priority is for ages 11-15, and not having attended an overnight camp before.
 - c. Facilitators Training – April 13 and April 14; Prevent Child Abuse MN is to help parents develop self-help groups. Location TBD.
 - d. Other – March 26 (SSI Training)
6. Breakout for Sub-groups (Parent Retreat; Fundraising; Focus/Mission/Marketing)
Lori B. from United Way had information on non-profit funding. Becky offered information on Dawna's question about a Discretionary Grant for traveling to trainings, etc. for parents.

Laurie Bliss requested a letter from PACT 4 so that she can obtain door prizes for the parent retreat. Many businesses are still not familiar with PACT 4.
7. Other
Families for Families support group has been dissolved because staff felt that they needed time for their own families and attendance was low.
8. Next Meeting – April 9th, 2007

Recorder: Virginia Sullivan