

Parent Advisory Committee
August 13th, 2007; 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA; Willmar, MN

Present: Sherry Kenney, Renville County parent
Julie Slaughter, Renville County parent
Virginia Sullivan, Renville County parent
Patrick Guetter, Yellow Medicine County parent
Tamie Whitaker, Yellow Medicine County parent
Cora Munsinger, Kandiyohi County parent

Gayle Dean, Kandiyohi County parent
Laurie Bliss, Yellow Medicine County parent
Debbie Gerrety, PRIDE-4 (PACT 4) Liaison
Linda Nelson, Kandiyohi County parent
Ray Whitaker, Yellow Medicine County parent

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes & Agenda

Laurie offered a motion to approve the minutes from the July meeting. Gayle offered a second. Motion carried. Laurie offered a motion to approve the agenda. Sherry offered a second. Motion carried.

3. PACT 4 Updates

No Full Collaborative meeting this month. This is normal – there is never a meeting in August.

4. Change Date for November meeting

Because the second Monday in November is Veteran's Day, which is a holiday for PACT 4, a motion was made by Pat to change the meeting date to November 19th. Laurie offered a second, and the motion was approved.

5. Committee Restructuring

PACT 4 has been studying committees and looking at ways to restructure the existing committees. This committee would continue to be a working committee of PACT 4.

6. Gift Card Disbursement

A gift card is earned for time spent contributing to PACT 4 working committees.

7. Updates / Information from Debbie Gerrety

- a. PRIDE-4 Program – September 14th will be the last day for coaches and the liaison for this grant. Funding to continue the effort has been searched for, and there is nothing available at this time.
- b. MPLS 2007 Annual Summit – October 12th and 13th – No cost to Parent Leader. Must be a member of MPLN to attend. A brochure is available upon request at the Minnesota Parent Leadership network, at www.mpln.org.
- c. IDEA: Understanding the Education Process – this workshop outlines the basic principles of special education. Topics include free and appropriate public education, evaluation, resolving disagreements, and the Individualized Education Plan (IEP). The date of the workshop is September 19th, from 6:00-9:00pm at the Kandiyohi County Health & Human Services Building. Call PACER at 800-53-PACER to register.

8. Other

- a. Julie announced that the Renville County LAC will be meeting on September 6th.
- b. Virginia announced that \$3.76 has been earned for cans collected at PACT 4 meetings.
- c. Possible fundraisers were discussed, such as the Cub Lunch Wagon.

9. Next Meeting

September 10th, 2007 at the Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA

Recorder: Julie Slaughter