

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

Present: Gayle Dean, Kandiyohi County parent
Laurie Bliss, Yellow Medicine County parent
Debbie Gerrety, PRIDE-4 (PACT 4) Liaison
Cora Munsinger, Kandiyohi County parent
Karyl Mooney, Renville County parent
Rosa Eddy, Kandiyohi County parent
Patrick Guetter, Yellow Medicine County parent
Jaleenah Toren, Renville County parent

Julie Slaughter, Renville County parent
Virginia Sullivan, Renville County parent
Linda Nelson, Kandiyohi County parent
Char Erickson, PACT 4 Wraparound Coordinator
Kathy Wernisch, Kandiyohi County parent
Deb Padilla, Kandiyohi County parent
Dwight Barrick, Meeker County parent
Linda Hocum, Kandiyohi County parent

1. Introductions

2. Approval of Minutes & Agenda

Laurie Bliss offered a motion to approve the minutes from the September meeting. Karyl Mooney offered a second. Motion carried.

Laurie Bliss offered a motion to approve the agenda as written. Julie Slaughter offered a second. Motion carried.

3. PACT 4 Updates - Char Erickson

The October Full Collaborative meeting will be held at the Kilowatt Community Center in Granite Falls. Discussion was held regarding establishing an email network for parents, as a support to each other. The issue was tabled until Dawna Schmitz is able to attend the next Parent Advisory meeting. Discussion was held about the next parent retreat.

4. LAC – Follow Up from Last Meeting

Both the Renville and Kandiyohi County LAC's report to each county's board of commissioners. Yellow Medicine County does not have one.

5. Trainings

a. MPLN Summit

October 12th and 13th

b. MACMH

April 27th and 28th, 2008 in Duluth

c. Federation of Families for Children Conference

December 7th – 9^h, 2007 in Washington, DC

d. My Space Workshop

October 13th at the First Covenant Church in Willmar, at 10:00 am

e. Brain Conference

November 15th at the Willmar High School, 3:30 – 8:00 pm

f. Social Security for Transition Age Youth - PACER

October 23rd, 6:30 – 8:30 pm; Ridgewater College in Hutchinson, Room 151

g. Money Management

Kandiyohi County YMCA in Willmar; free – register with Heather at 800-770-4081

h. MN Fatherhood Summit

January 14th and 15th at the St. Cloud Civic Center'

6. Break Into Committees

a. Fundraising

Home and Garden
Tastefully Simple
Pampered Chef
Cub and Cashwise
Garage Sale – Willmar – April

b. Parent Retreat

First three weekends in April at the Shores of Lake Andrew; themes; breakout sessions are needed; parents are to give ideas

c. Mission

The committee wants the mission on the agenda each month and would like to check on a brochure for the committee. Members will assist counties in getting LAC's up and running, and give support.

Recorder: Julie Slaughter