

Parent Advisory Committee
June 9th, 2008; 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Kandiyohi County Area Family YMCA; Willmar, MN

Present: Char Erickson, PACT 4 Wraparound Coord. Laurie Bliss, Yellow Medicine County parent
Debbie Gerrety, Renville County parent Linda Hocum, Kandiyohi County parent
Gayle Dean, Kandiyohi County parent Linda Nelson, Kandiyohi County parent
Julie Slaughter, Renville County parent Sherry Kenney, Renville County parent
Karyl Mooney, Renville County parent Suzanne Wordes, Kandiyohi County parent
Kathy Willing, Renville County parent Virginia Sullivan, Renville County parent

1. **Approval of Agenda and April minutes**
Motion by Dean, second by Kenney. Motion carried to approve the minutes. Motion by Gerrety, second by Mooney. Motion carried to approve the agenda.

2. **PACT 4 Updates**
Polly Peters has been offered and has accepted the family liaison position that was formerly contracted through Woodland Centers. PACT 4 will take over the position beginning July 1st.

Grant updates – bilingual staff (2.5 FTE positions) will be hired through the special populations grant.

The Wraparound DVD is done. A preliminary showing for participants will be held on June 30th.

The June Full Collaborative meeting is at Peter's on Lake Ripley in Litchfield. RSVP's are requested.

Last month, Debb Sheehan presented options to the committee about changing the meeting stipend policy. She emailed out her summary of last month's suggestions and her proposal to the Executive Board to those who were present at the meeting last month. Erickson brought copies of the handout to the meeting. Car pooling is encouraged and recommended to help save on mileage costs. Different meal ideas were suggested. Perhaps salads or sandwiches, or chicken from Cashwise – keep getting pizza for the kids. This would require more accurate and timely RSVP's. Motion by Kenney, second by Dean to hold a potluck for next month's meeting. Motion carried. PACT 4 will provide plates, utensils and napkins. Still need to RSVP as usual.

3. **Training Updates**
Autism Resource Fair – September 27th in St. Cloud
Bridges Out of Poverty – August 25th and 26th in Willmar
Brain Conference – November 13th at the Willmar High School

4. **LAC Updates**
Kandiyohi County – resource manual is completed and copies have been distributed, as well as put on the PACT 4 website. They meet the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. Perhaps other counties could take on a similar project.

Renville County – Kathy Willing is the co-chair. Will bring the resource booklet as a project.

Meeker County – Pat Thompson from social services serves on the committee.

Yellow Medicine County – Emily McGonigle and Mary Potter serve on the committee.

5. **Fundraising**
Cookbooks discussion – how to complete/print/distribute them.

6. **Next meeting – July 14th, 2008 at 6:00 pm at the YMCA.**

5. **Adjourn**
Motion by Wordes, second by Willing. Motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Julie Slaughter

MISSION: "To be the voice of all parents / caregivers in the four-county area of Kandiyohi, Meeker, Renville and Yellow-Medicine and to share that voice with PACT 4 partners"