

**CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
January 17, 2008**

PRESENT: Missy Kueht-Becker, Raquel Mehring, Diane Ripple, Dennis Farrell, Ed Cohen, Barb Holtz, Jane DeGeorge, Jim Pearson, Ron Pupp, Faith Holley-Beal, John Schiraj, Michelle DuBord, Kurt Gehrke, Sarah Matson, Sara Carpenter

STAFF PRESENT: Antwayne Robertson, Pat Voss, Jesús Mireles

Ron Pupp called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Sara Carpenter made a motion, seconded by Jim Pearson to approve the minutes of November 17, 2007 with the corrected change of removing bullet #1 on page 3. The motion was voted on and carried.

BOARD LIAISON REPORT

Dennis Farrell wanted to clarify that he will not be leaving his position with the Health and Human Services Board, as was reported in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel. The article indicated that Ms. Flor Gonzales, who is employed with M&I Bank, would be replacing Dennis, which is falsely stated, and instead should have read that she was just appointed on January 8th to serve on the Health and Human Services Board.

Dates for upcoming HHS Board and Committee meetings are:

- January 31, 2008 – HHS Board meeting
- February 28, 2008 – DDAC Needs List Presentation to the HHS Board and Committee
- March 13, 2008 – AODA/MH Needs List Presentation to the HHS Board and Committee
- March 27, 2008 – CAFSAC/Public Health Needs List Presentation to the HHS Board and Committee

HHS Public Hearing will be the 1st or 2nd week in May 2008. More details will be forthcoming.

Dennis touched on the Family Care Community Education session that was held on January 16, 2007 at the Expo Center. The two managed care providers are Care Wisconsin and Community Care Inc. In preparation for the ADRC, site work has begun to the Health and Human Services west parking lot for the mobile manufactured buildings that have been purchased from the Ranch/Curative.

The Family Support Services program is now under the direction of the Children and Family Services Division and they will be meeting next week.

ISSUE SEGMENT

Barb Holtz is the Coordinator for the Born Learning Waukesha program.

Born Learning is a community initiative funded by United Way in Waukesha County, a collaboration of four organizations: Lutheran Social Services, Birth to Three, Pregnancy Support Connection, Center for Leadership Excellence (Head Start), and Prevention & Protection of Abused Children (PPAC). Born Learning is a campaign that provides parents, grandparents, caregivers and the community with specific doable steps that are fun and easy to do during daily life to promote early learning opportunities for young children. The program is an initiative for long lasting community change and is built on three cornerstones: Awareness, Education and Action. Caregivers and the community at large will help children become school ready and develop into healthy individuals

Barb has begun to work with families in their homes, one on one presentation of materials to families that need extra attention. Conducting lunch-n-learn sessions to a number of area companies and businesses in the Waukesha County area informing them of this early childhood initiative and helping kids succeed program. Other ways of advertising has been done through materials like magnets, bookmarks, and handing our information at daycare centers when parents come to pick up their children.

More information that is research based can be found at their website www.bornlearning.org. A question and answer period followed.

REVIEW NEEDS LIST

Ron Pupp reported that he, Diane Ripple, and Health and Human Services staff met last November, early December 2007. We are looking for more volunteers to participate in the review of the needs list. If interested see Ron after today's meeting. He will set up another meeting for everyone to meet.

ISSUES COMMITTEE REPORT

The Issue Segment was distributed at our last meeting in November 2007. Next month we will focus in on the Needs List.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Addiction Resource Council and Rogers Memorial Hospital will be offering a six-week program entitled "Getting Your Loved One Sober", which will begin on October 22, 2007.

Addition: Why Can't They Just Stop lecture series will be on Thursday evenings, 6:30 p.m. at Rogers Memorial Hospital. Please call 262-524-7921 for further details.

The Addiction Resource Council's 2008 Open House and Program Showcase will be held on February 8, 2008 from 2:30 -4:30 p.m.

Jane DeGeorge announced that National 2-1-1 day is February 11, 2008. The Mental Health Association is hoping that with this designation of 211 to invite our legislators and offer a presentation at the Communications Center for all.

Kathryn Jalas Franke distributed the fall 2007 Family Ties newsletter to all.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on February 21, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in the Board Room of the Human Services Center.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Approved on _____
(Date)