

**Together for Jackson County Kids
Coalition Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 17th, 2008
UW-Extension office
3:30pm-4:30pm**

Present: Lacey Ketelhut (CESA #4), Michelle Schoolcraft (DHHS), Joni Thur (DHHS), Karla Michels (DHHS), Wendie Libert (UWEX), Monica Lobenstein (UWEX), Ben Hodge (youth), Hanna Hodge (youth), Karena Smothers (youth), David Gorski (youth), Lisa Hodge (DFC Staff)

Meeting called to order: 3:30pm

Introductions- Introductions and welcomes were done around the table.

Previous Minutes- Approved

VISTA/Americorp Update- Monica will get information about a July-start VISTA. Haven't heard anything yet about the status of our application with Marshfield Clinic.

Prom Update/Graduation- Once the letters are done by the 4/5th graders, how will we get them to the High School students? Lisa will call the high school and find out if they can be handed out with Prom tickets.

JCI Reality Program- Monica, Trisha Wagner (Ag Agent), Wendie, and Lisa attended a session of the JCI REALITY program. There were only two young men required to be there that evening. There were also 9 inmates in attendance. The program is very interesting and the inmates seem to really care about playing a role in the future of at-risk young men. The program is completely funded by JCI and is looking at doing some outreach to the schools and other organizations. They are in need of funding to make videos with JCI inmates for the traveling cell.

Coalition Event-Form Committee and Let's Name It!!- The committee for the coalition event was formed at this meeting. Members include Karla Michels, Joni Thur, David Gorski Jr., Karena Smothers, Hanna Hodge, Ben Hodge, Lisa Hodge. Some titles for the event included FunFunFun, Fun On Wheels, Rockin' Wheels. Joni will work on coming up with something from the work SKATE and let us know. Lisa will contact the committee about the first meeting. The committee will be asked to work on getting local businesses to donate door prizes for the event. It would be nice to get skateboards, helmets, pads, etc. The Boys and Girls Club will contact 3rd Lair to see if they are available for the July 5th event. Helmets will be required for competition. No exceptions!

May Meeting Topic – Graduation, Coalition Event Update

Miscellaneous –

- **Strategic Prevention Framework (Marshfield)-** Lisa attended the initial Advisory Meeting for the Marshfield Clinic Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) on April 15th. These meetings are hosted by the Marshfield Clinic Center for Community Outreach. The purpose of these meetings is to build a frame for the publication of the Coalition and Capacity Building Work Book. Key elements will be identified that will enable us to build an authentic “Wisconsin” prevention tool. The next advisory group meeting will be held on June 11th in Marshfield. One-day learning events will then follow on September 15th in Marshfield and September 16th in Rice Lake. Participants will have their names placed in the books and receive money for their organization.
- **Social Norms Institute (Stevens Point)-** Monica, Wendie, Kristi, and Lisa will be attending the “Social Norms Institute in Stevens Point on April 22nd.”
- **Parents Who Host Lose The Most-** Lacie from CESA#4 informed this group that there are brochures for this program available. We agreed that we would take some and get them circulated for Graduation and Sports events at the High School.
- **Shopping Bags-** This group discussed having shopping bags made that would cut down on the use of plastic bags. We could have the coalition's name placed on the bags for advertising and we could sell advertising space on the bags to local businesses to raise money for the coalition.

Agenda Items for LT meeting- Prom, VISTA, Coalition Event

Meeting adjourned: 4:30pm

Next Meeting Date: Thursday, May 15th, 3:30pm, UW-Extension office

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Hodge