

**Together For Jackson County Kids  
Leadership Team Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, April 2nd, 2008, 3:15pm  
Jackson County DHHS Building**

**Present:** Michelle Schoolcraft (Jackson County DHHS), Lisa Hodge (DFC Staff), Patrick Guarino (Boys and Girls Club of Jackson County), Kristi Hanson (Public Health), Joni Thur (Jackson County DHHS)

Meeting was called to order at 3:15pm. Leadership Team members discussed all issues on the agenda. Minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

**VISTA**– Monica received notification from the VISTA people about applying for another VISTA. Leadership Team decided that since we just paid for an Americorp, they would like to wait and see what happens with that. They also agreed that if there was money left at the end of the grant, then we should use it to apply for another VISTA. Currently, there is no money available to pay for a VISTA but it would be easy to forecast leftover salaries from SF and Comm. Mentoring. Questions were also asked about what will happen to the remaining time from Mara’s contract-will she be replaced or will we be reimbursed? Lisa will ask Monica.

**Coalition Event-** TFJCK needs to begin planning this year’s coalition event, usually held in the summer time. Patrick asked the group if they would be willing to take over the Skate Board Competition that we partnered with last summer. LT agreed that if the turn-out was good, then we should give it a try and we can still promote “healthy lifestyle choices” at the event. We will form a planning committee at the next regular TFJCK meeting (with youth) and continue with this process. The planning committee will need to come up with a slogan for the event, hire a DJ, do advertising, rent the tent, get the popcorn machine, and collect door prize donations.

**JCI Reality Program-** Currently, Lisa and Monica are scheduled to observe the JCI Reality Program on Thursday, April 10, from 3:45p-7:15p, @ JCI. Others may be in attendance now or possibly at a later date. We are hoping to find a way to assist with this program without providing any direct services. JCI has told the coalition that they are in need of video tapes to go with the “Traveling Cell”, which is the outreach portion of the Reality program, traveling to schools, libraries, and other places.

**Meeting topics for TFJCK in March and April –**

- **April-** Coalition event, VISTA, JCI, Prom, Graduation
- **May-**

**Miscellaneous-**

**The next Leadership Team meeting –** Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 3:15pm, **DHHS Building**

Meeting adjourned at 4pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Lisa Hodge