

Champaign County Birth to 6 Council Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2011

Noon – 1:00pm

**United Way of Champaign County
404 W. Church Street, Champaign, IL 61820**

Attendance

Beverley Baker(United Way), Kim Woolridge (LIC Coordinator), Lou Anne Burton (CCRS), Amanda Raklovits (Champaign Public Library - Douglas Branch), Angela Reinhart(U of I Extension), Mark Driscoll(CC Mental Health and Disabilities Boards), Felicia Gooler (DSC), Mary Ann Wilson(Community Elements), Mary-alayne Hughes(UIUC-Special Education), Nicole Wentz, Stephanie Alumbaugh(DSCC), Teresa O'Connor(Developmental Therapist), Jane Amundsen (Parent Wonders), Jon Dietrich (PNC Bank), Kimberly Hile (CFC #16), Laura Swinford, Lisa Ellis (McCormick Center).

Approval of Minutes

Copies of the June minutes were distributed. Lisa Ellis motioned to approve and Mary - alayne Hughes seconded. All were in favor of accepting the minutes as written.

Announcements

The Public Health Department has their free Healthy breakfast, snack, & lunch program again this summer. The Douglass Library Branch is under construction - it is still open. The Illinois Interagency Council on Early intervention will be meeting on July 21st from 10 am to 1 pm at 500 S. 9th Street, Springfield. It is open to the public - Identification is required to enter the meeting room. The Parent Wonders grant is in. Angela Rienhart will no longer hold her position at the U of I Extension due to restructuring. Cheri Burcham will be the new contact person. A huge thank you to Mary Ann Wilson and Beverly Baker for their leadership this past year!

Presentation - Discussion

“Defining the meaning of 0-6 Providers for the Council”. Much was discussed about “Providers”, to not just think of therapist; Each agency and their employees are also providers for 0-6. There was discussion about making a Sub-Committee titled “ Social & Emotional”. Bev will bring a copy of the Matrix of Providers to the next meeting.

Committee Reports:

The Kindergarten Readiness Calendar come out in August. The Equipment Loan is open again and we have a U of I student volunteer. There will be a PDF to link on website.

CFC Report and Updates

Caseload Summary Reports are being distributed via email now along with the minutes and agenda. Kimberly Hile held a presentation at the Crisis Nursery. The first Family Picnic went very well. There were approximately 14 families, 4 Service Coordinators, 6

providers of various therapies, and the LIC Coordinator in attendance. Everyone had a great time with lots of yummy food. It was well received by the families and much interest to continue the event.

LIC Report

The 2010-2011 Budget / Expense Report was distributed. There is approximately \$85.00 left. A motion was made by Beverly Baker to place a \$50 advertisement in the Disability Expo Resource Book and use any remaining funds to purchase a Staples gift card.. Laura Swinford seconded. Motion carried. Kim Woolridge will submit the requests to CFC for final approval. It was also decided that the October meeting would be a break out of Committee Work meetings. Kim Woolridge will invite Dr. Keeley and Dr. Morton to attend this meeting to work with the Public Awareness/Child Find Committees. The LIC Coordinator will also contact Susan Fowler to see if organization can still count on U of I to host our website.

Old Business

Distribution points needed for brochures. It was decided that next month's meeting would focus on making this list and assigning persons responsible for initial contact & maintaining brochure placements.

New Business

Everyone is asked to "brainstorm" and look for new funds to help our Council complete tasks in the community. It would also be interesting to "track" other agencies contributions that impact Birth to 6 Council.

Next meeting will be Monday, July 18, 2011 from noon to 1:00 pm at United Way.