



Children, Youth and Families

Collaboration for Community Change

Seneca County *Partners for Children, Youth and Families* Core Leadership Team ~ Collaboration for Community Change

Notes of Meeting

Date: May 27th, 2010

Time: 9:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Location: Seneca County Law Enforcement

Members, Leadership Team: Members present at this meeting noted in **bold letters**.

Acquilano, Nelson – Council on Alcoholism of the Finger Lakes (Executive Director)

Beals, Karen – United Way of Seneca County (Executive Director)

Birmingham, Peg* - Seneca County Division of Human Services (Deputy Commissioner)

Hoose, Mike – Romulus Central School (Superintendent)

Kelsey, Kimberly – Finger Lakes Health (Marketing & Planning Manager)

LaVigne, Scott – Seneca County Community Services (Executive Director)

Lindsay, Bonnie – Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES (Associate Superintendent for Curriculum)

MacNabb, Terry – Waterloo Central School District (Superintendent)

McKeveny, Robert – Seneca Falls Central School District (Superintendent)

Nusser, Janie* - South Seneca Central School (Superintendent)

Ruff, Teresa – Glove House

Schillaci, Charlie – Seneca County Division of Human Services (Commissioner)

Sinclair, Suzanne – Seneca County Manager

Stenberg, Jack – Seneca County Sheriff

Terry, David – Seneca County Probation (Director)

VanAuken, Kerry – Seneca County Health Department (Public Health Educator)

Whitley, Michael – Seneca County Youth Bureau (Director)

Williams, Rachel – Seneca County Cornell Cooperative Extension (Youth Development Educator)

Advisory (non-voting):

Case, Jacqueline – United Way of Seneca County (Communications/Partners Coordinator)

DeBruyn, Hans – ACT for Youth Initiative, Western Region

Grace, Mary – Seneca County Community Counseling

Lohr, Billie – Council on Alcoholism of the Finger Lakes (Program Services Director)

Richardson, Connie – United Way of Seneca County (Director of Community Partnerships)

Wiatrowski, Liz – Council on Alcoholism of the Finger Lakes (Education Coordinator)

Honorary (non-voting):

Marinelli, Dr. Joseph – Wayne Finger Lakes BOCES (Superintendent)

Guests:

Don Bayne, CGR

Jaydn McCune, Expanding Possibilities

Jaime Saunders, CGR

CALENDAR, Seneca County *Partners for Children, Youth & Families*

(Note: Team leaders, please provide updates on meeting times and locations)

Date	Time	Participants/Purpose	Location
7/29/2010	9-10:30	Core Leadership	SC Law Enforcement
TBD	9-10:30	Core Leadership	

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The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. due to construction delays.

I. Review Minutes: March 2010

Motion: Mike Whirtley
Second: Connie Richardson
Discussion:
Motion: Passed.

III. Process Feedback for today's meeting: Jackie. Peg requested we add "What we learned – can be in one word.

IV. Shared Opportunities for Professional Development:

- Peg shared that DHS was having Dr. Paul Martin come again to do a training on De-escalation to Avoid Violent Reactions for the Safety of Workers. This will be open to all.

V. Expanding Possibilities – Jaydn McCune, Grant Director

- Possibilities is a program to provide support for children in a holistic manner not the traditional silo effect – one organization at a time. Funding is through CHAMPS grant with TST BOCES. Staff meet with youth in all environments. This requires staff development of professionals to build bridges between all resources and services and to have those crucial conversations necessary to be more effective and to develop integrated relationships.

An example she gave was a meeting bringing together frontline DSS workers with school counselors and medical partners with Department of Social Services. What they found was that confidentiality was a barrier with the key stakeholders. As a result they brought in legal specialists to meet with a small group and the next round will include more representation.

One possibility they are looking at is the Patient Centered Medical Home model. The Patient Centered Medical Home (PCMH) is an approach to providing comprehensive primary care for children, youth and adults. The PCMH is a health care setting that facilitates partnerships between individual patients, and their personal physicians, and when appropriate, the patient's family. Chemung County is using this successfully.

Discussion ensued connecting the two BOCES (TST and Wayne-Finger Lakes) so all school districts in Seneca County could be apart of this project.

V. CGR – Don Bayne and Jaime Saunders

When we contracted to do our Seneca County Community Profile in 2007, we made the commitment to update every three years and 2010 is that year. We approached CGR with questions on whether we should wait until after the census data was released and what the cost might be to update our report.

Don and Jaime shared new possibilities with us – a web-based profile and sources so we no longer have to wait for the census completion. With the web-base we would be able to cross connect analysis/charts/data tables to run whatever data we might need. This offers us a great deal more flexibility than the hard document. They shared one of their latest endeavors: <http://www.communityprofiles.org/herkimeroneida>.

As far as costs were concerned there are three possibilities if we decide to update this year:

- 1) One year with 70 indicators done on the web \$60K and after the first year there would be a \$300 hosting fee per year.
- 2) Do a multi year – for example five year plan with two updates during that period – we could divide the cost over the five years for a lower cost per year rather than all at one time.
- 3) If we stay with our same format and update, the cost would be even higher.
- 4) The possibility of doing a regional profile was explored (like Herkimer/Oneida) and that is always a possibility.

VI. Youth Council Update

- Youth Encampment a success! Twenty youth with adults raised awareness of homelessness, raised money for Habitat for Humanity and American Red Cross, and provided food and blanket for the House of Concern.

VII. Review Committee Requests/updates

Early Childhood Education 0-5 –collaboration continues to focus on brain development, the challenges of chaotic environments (domestic violence & substance abuse) and the impact of poverty on language and literacy on children’s readiness for school. Concerns raised by several partners about the numbers of families who remain under circumstance of increased economic insecurity, and the resulting frequent short distance residential moves that further disrupt the ‘safe and secure’ foundation children need to have strong academic achievement. Networking well with diverse participants. Next meeting June 15th, 12:30 – 2:00 at Council on Alcoholism, SF office
Guest speaker – Sarah Snowberg, Sanctuary Coordinator, Glove House

Family Wellness – meeting and working on goals

Housing – meeting, update on Lakeview property, Main Street funding applications

Literacy – working on providing more GED classes, ask Supers to please update us on their project(s)

Substance Abuse – changed name to Seneca County Substance Abuse Coalition. Keep an eye out for the billboards around the county designed by a student at South Seneca. Also considering a Sticker Shock project (ie. putting stickers on 6 packs for awareness on underage drinking). Mary updated group on CADCA trainings and they will have John Underwood as a speaker in November.

Youth Development – Alternative Spring Break and Career Fair were successful and received favorable reviews. Taking a short break over the summer.

VIII. Announcements:

- Youth Bureau has moved its offices in with Workforce Development to integrate into a Youth Services Team.
- SC Cornell Cooperative has a new director beginning June 1st – Ave Bauder.
- United Way of Seneca County has a new vision and mission which was shared(see attachment).

Process Feedback: Utilizing the Meeting Process Feedback Tool, Jackie reported that the meeting started a few minutes late and thus ended a few minutes late; agenda topics were covered productively. Learning comments: great presentations, Community Profile opportunities, affirmation we are small but on track with our collaboration efforts, impact of our committees on our community, energizing/refreshing, data as useful tool rather than being feared.

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 29th, 9 – 10:30 AM at SC Law Enforcement Facility

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Beals