



BUENA VISTA COUNTY COALITION MINUTES



Decat/Community Partnerships for Protecting Children, Buena Vista County Prevent Child Abuse Council and BVCS Early Childhood Iowa

Date: December 17, 2015 **Time:** 10:00 - 11:00 a.m. **Location:** 824 Flindt Dr Storm Lake

AGENDA: Approved by consensus.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS:

Dawn Sickelka, DCAT/CPPC; Annette Koster, BVCS Early Childhood Iowa; Retta Mitchell, Child Care Resource & Referral (CCR&R); Paige Duncan, CCR&R; Lisa Matheson, Parent Partner; Cindy Johnson, Compass Pointe; Di Daniels, SALUD; Angie Woodford, TeamMates Mentoring Program; Patti Wolf, 0-5 Program Coordinator Early Head Start/Head Start; Terri Siglin Program Assistant, MATURA; Brittanie Albrecht, AmeriCorps/CPPC; Susan Rohan, LSI-Iowa Kids Net; Paola P Michel, SALUD-Fitness and HC-IKN; Alecia Dougherty, Plains Area M.H.C.; Karla Hynes, MATURA MCH/WIC Program Director; Tamara Thompson, MATURA I-Smile; Nichole Tucker, MATURA Financial Officer; Carly Shaw, Parent Partner Coordinator; Janet Gritten, Family STEPS-BVCPH; Andrea Lietz, Plains Area Mental H.C> Integrated Health.

II. FOLLOW-UP/REVIEW 10.15.15 MEETING Carly S made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Di D., a vote was held, all in favor. Motion Carries.

III. BV County PCA Council

a. Program Updates

1. Parent Education Family Steps: The program has 41 enrolled (7 paid for with Prevent Child Abuse funds). The program hosted a successful get together for families over Christmas.

2. Sexual Abuse Prevention: CASSA clarified the performance measures with Prevent Child Abuse Iowa.

b. April prevention updates: Newspaper insert and proclamation signing with County Supervisors with pinwheel garden.

IV. CBCAP/CPPC UPDATES

Information/Discussion

- Fy15 CBCAP Re-cap: Love-n-Logic finished October 1st.
- R-5 books: Mike Danahue books to support presentation, priority to the schools who hosted the presentations. In the event there is extra will open up distribution.
- AmeriCorps update: Brittany Albrecht is the AmeriCorps worker. She will work with CPPC to recruit memberships, assist with April awareness activities, CPPC support, agency collaboration, Martin Luther King Day, and Genesis.
- Ace Interface, Paper Tigers, Connections Matter, & Lemonade for Life: ACE Interface, provided by ISU Extension & Outreach before Paper Tigers viewing at Buena Vista University. Following the Paper Tigers viewing a discussion will be held. Connection Matter Community, will ask, what can be done for children outside connections – BVU and Seasons Center?
- Working on bringing Lemonade for Life, more information to come in future.
- April/Neighborhood Night Out Promo items/activities – planning: Need ideas and message for this year’s promotion. Send to Dawn S. The police set date and email, the coalition provides materials to be given out with a common message. Discussion held on agency attendance. Develop a name/contact for each agency to have better attendance at event.

Last year the Blue Ribbon Committee participated in Family Fun Night at the school, Alicia D will call to see if interested to be a part of this again this year.

V. ADJOURN

Action

- Plan Next Meeting: February 18, 2016

Upcoming Events: April 19 & 21 CPPC 101 – Nola – Storm Lake
April 25-27 PCA IA Conference – Des Moines
May 2-3 CPPC 201 & State meetings – Des Moines
May 4-5 PP Summit – Des Moines
June 7 Regional CPPC meeting – Denison

January 7, 2016 Child Development Block Grant Public Hearing
February 23, 2016 Early Childhood Iowa Day on the Hill

A Community Coalition is meant to bring agencies and community members together to be able to share information and assist in gathering information about the community. In the event an agency needs assistance for a project, to meet a grant need, they can: present to the group, and or draw upon attendees to form workgroups. The representative can then report back on the performance of the program.

Today's Speaker/Topic: Susan Rohan, Lutheran Services in Iowa Kids Net

Recruit for Foster Care Homes & Licensed to train Foster Parents. Need to have homes in Buena Vista County. In 2013 had 17 families, the number has not increased. In 2013 27 children came into care out of the 27, 20 were placed out of Buena Vista County. Want what is best for children, keep in homes and in school districts. Handouts provided: Ways to Help, Recruiter Licensure Information, and Flyers. To become a Foster Parent requires completion of a 10 week course (3 hours per week). Yearly continuing education of 6 hours with requirements. Yearly update license. Receive monthly reimbursement. Foster care children considered "own family" qualifies for programs like WIC, top on wait list for Head Start et When someone is in need of care look into community first, then 20 miles radius, then 40 and out, try to keep with counselor they are currently working with. Adoption process with Iowa Kids Net. Contact Susan Rohan at 712-262-4083 ext. 13 office email susan.rohan@lsiowa.org

Attendees:

BVCS Early Childhood Iowa:
Annette Koster

Child Care Resource & Referral Child
Care Consultant: Retta Mitchell

Compass Pointe Prevention Program:
Cindy Johnson

Information Shared

Remember to advocate for children. Every Child Matters in Iowa has a card with important questions for Iowa families to ask 2016 candidates (provided). Please remember to advocate for children and families in Iowa.

Need childcare providers, if know of anyone interested give Retta a call office cellphone at 712-660-0687.

Encourage people looking for childcare to call the Mid-Sioux office and go through the Parent Coordinator. In addition to looking for childcare provider information is shared on what to look for when seeking care. Data assist in showing need to communities looking to start childcare facilities.

Retta shared the CCR&R Annual Report with state and local data. Ready-Set-Grow in Alta has received two grants one from CCCR&R funded by Early Childhood Iowa and the second from the County, looking for more donations for matching funds.

Cindy presented on the tobacco and multi-unit to go tobacco free. Promotional materials were shared with attendees.

Decat/CPPC

Shared above

Family STEPS: Janet Gritten

Family STEPS reminding parents of the no coats in car seats safety precaution. When children wear coats the car seat is not snug enough to protect them for being thrown in the event of an accident. A question was asked if Buena Vista had a program to assist new parents with car seats. A car seat safety event is held in August at the car dealership and one at the hospital in June or July. Not aware of any event that provides free car seats to parents of newborns.

Fitness and HC – IKN: Paola Michel

Contact fitness health center group class, client on services passes available, corporate discount to the agencies were present or on Child Abuse Prevention board. Belongs to hospital.

Head Start/Early Head Start: Patti Wolf

Head Start and Early Head Start reviewers looking at health and safety, left with no concerns. Waiting for final report. CLASS next year looking at teachers relationships.

i-smile: Tamara Thompson

Community Play Things chose Head Start parents to receive free toys within the eight county area.

Partner Partners: Carly Shaw

Dental screenings treatment paid for through Early Childhood Iowa 3-5 years of age, services to 9th and 10th grade dental audits, and WIC clinics. Good referral source for dentist who take insurance. United Community Health Center dental currently short staffed. I-smile 24 coordinators across Iowa.

Plains Area Mental Health: Alecia D

Currently serving seven, three in Buena Vista Court. Continue to seek for Parent Partners.

Provide Parent Child Interaction Therapy for children and parents. EMDR re-tell story from prenatal to re-orient establish bonding and attachment. Two therapist trained.

SALUD: Di Daniels and Paloa Michel

Crisis Home in Sac City will have a soft opening beginning in February.

Trauma Sensitive Yoga to start. Been shown to assist kids with ADHD, best to do individually. Cost is \$20.00 and not covered by insurance. Proven to EMDR connect body and mind.

Integrated Health Services (MCO's) Medicaid, learn at meetings and refer to various programs.

Teen Mates Mentoring: Angie Woodford

Huger dialog to be held on January 22, 2016. Hunger issues in Buena Vista County plus acknowledge food bank work on coordination/collaboration.

Looking for Mentors. The program is located at the Storm Lake Middle School. A 5th grader stops by daily to see if have found a mentor. Currently have 90 matches and 20 kinds on a waiting list. If you know of anyone you feel might be interested. Research shows that need to be asked seven times.

UDMO Outreach Center

Women's, Infant, Children Food Program (WIC) _ MATURA

Two RN provide WIC Clinics including Ages & Stages Developmental Screens, lead testing, hawk-I outreach and Delta Dental.

Respectfully submitted: Annette Koster