

Skagit County Child & Family Consortium

Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2007; 9:15 - 10:30

Welcome and Introductions - Linda

Meeting was called to order by Linda Nelson, we reviewed the agenda items and introductions around the table were made.

Nancy Brown - Bob Hicks and Linda Hinojosa were not able to attend this meeting.

Lorena Arebalo - Agreed to take notes for the next year, thank you to both Lorena and Youth & Family Services for donating her time.

SCCFC 501C3 work group - Lisa

Lisa met with CPA Sherri Stites in La Conner. She has helped several other organizations go through the 501C3 process and can provide legal services for \$500. For this \$500.00 SCCFC would receive 10 hours of legal service going over all our paperwork to make sure all legal verbiage is in the 501C3 documentation. She will also complete the application for SCCFC.

Lisa will send out e-mail regarding 501C3 workgroup to the members of SCCFC who volunteered. Members include Bob Hicks, Brian Humphrey, Janice Condrin, Kim Grams, Linda Nelson, Lisa Jacobsen, and Nancy Brown. Workgroup will discuss topics to bring back to the larger group:

- What are past, present, future goals
- Work on setting up current year budget and a two budget year plan
- Bylaws & Articles of Incorporation

Health and Safety Network – Linda

Linda Nelson, Lisa Jacobsen and Bob Hicks have been in contact with the Family Policy Council regarding the possibility of reinstating the Health & Safety Network in Skagit County. This would run through SCCFC. The Family Policy Council is very excited and supporting of these efforts. Linda went over who the Family Policy Council is and what the Health & Safety Network is about. Lisa is working on establishing meetings with Legislators on January 21st to gain their support of this endeavor. Please let Lisa know if you are interested in going to Olympia that day to talk with Legislators. Linda, Lisa and Bob are working on the application of this reinstatement to be presented to the Family Policy Council in Olympia on January 24, 2008.

Program Updates

Linda Nelson - Connecting schools group is going to visit a program, hopefully, in mid January in Tacoma.

Brian Humphrey - Building Bridges grant deadline extended to January 2nd, Mt Vernon School District is shooting for Friday 12.21.07 to complete this grant. Mount Vernon Chamber of commerce has a mentorship programs. It was suggested we get speakers here next meeting to look at mentorship and how it is working in Mount Vernon.

Kim Grams - Boys and Girls clubs of Skagit County is working on mentoring and motivational programs for youth.

Janice Condrin – Gave out flyers “Guiding Teens Series”, this workshop series is for anyone raisings or working with teens. It runs on Thursday’s 6-7:30 PM @ Youthnet from January 10th through March 27th.

Dennis Lind – Handed out new recreation schedule from the Parks and Rec. Department.

Next Meeting:

- ✓ **Wednesday, January 16, 2008 from 9:15am - 10:30 am at the Y&FS Conference Room on 1st street in Mount Vernon.**