



## SKAGIT COUNTY CHILD AND FAMILY CONSORTIUM

### Meeting Minute Notes

April 15, 2009

#### In Attendance

Andy Wheeler - *NWESD 189; Skagit Discovery*  
Benjamin Jojola - *Samish Indian Nation*  
Bob Hicks - *Youth and Family Services*  
Colleen Bowls - *ARIS*  
Dave Arenholz - *NWESD 189*  
Debbie Davis - *DSHS*  
Dianne Crawford - *Skagit Prevention Council*  
Janice Condrin - *Youth net, Region 1 WALA and Teen Resource Committee*  
Jean Champagne - *MVSD*  
Jennifer Walton - *Sk. Co. Health Dept.*  
Jenn Angelis - *SWSD*  
Jonna Zieber - *CCS - CHAP*  
Julie de Losada - *NSMHA*  
Karen Rose - *YMCA and Skagit County Children's Council*  
Ken Van Liew - *Youth and Family Services*  
Kim Grams - *B&GC Skagit*  
Laurie Alexander - *Children's Administration*  
Linda Nelson - *NWESD 189*  
Lisa Jacobsen - *SCCFC Coordinator*  
Lyndie Case - *United, SPF-SIG*  
Lynn Christofersen - *SCCAA*  
Rex Dudley - *Big Brothers / Big Sisters*  
Timm Forthun - *Crossroads Church*  
Wenda Cross - *Skagit/Islands Head Start*

**Welcome & Introductions** - Bob called meeting to order @ 9:17am

#### Roundtable

**Karen** - Summer Camp sign ups are coming up (they are expecting record breaking numbers) so please send families to YMCA. Healthy Kids Day flyer is attached:



Healthy Kids Day

Karen is helping MV & Burlington apply for the Gates Leadership Initiative Early Learning Grant. Anacortes and SW already have this grant.

**Jennifer** - At the Children's Council they had a guest speaker, Mary Lafonte, from the Children's Advocacy Canter and Jennifer stated she thought we may want to look into her coming to SCCFC in the future.

*Janice* - Youthnet's annual Art/Jazz/Fine Wine fundraiser is May 8, 2009 from 5-8pm @ the Youthnet building. The tickets are \$10.00.

*Lyndie* - The Strengthening Families Coordinator, Jennifer Fix, has coordinated a SF facilitator's roundtable and a Family Event (Kenya Masala to facilitate this event) for any family that has taken SF in the past. Please look for more information on both events in the near future. VOICE is doing a drug free activity @ Crossroads this Friday night. This event is a direct result of the SUMMIY VOICE held in February. The youth are encouraged to come and talk a bout how ATOD and/or violence has effected them.

*Benjamin* - Samish is hosting the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Camp Samish @ Camp Kirby June 12-19, 2009 and will focus on various topics like ATOD issues, Cultural awareness, Oral traditions and tribal journey.

*Kim* - Sedro-Woolley BBBS club will have spaghetti feed (cooked by Job Corp) April 29, 2009 4:30-7:30PM.

*Laurie* - DSHS is working on a workgroup for county screening and the impact on kids.

*Jenn* - ARIS Sedro-Woolley community partners are looking at doing a needs assessment and gaps analysis.

*Rex* - BB/BS is looking for Big Brothers.

*Linda* - NWESD 189 lost their last Behavioral Health Specialist and is looking at contracting with a former employee to complete the grant out. Jorje Partida is coming back for 2 ½ days in May to work with the Spanish SAPST participants on how they can implement what they learned to their community. The ESD and WSU collaborated to put on a workshop on getting the Latino population more involved with your programs and have had such a great turnout they may do a third implementation, Linda will keep us posted.

*Lynn* - Adult basic education lab @ Westview on May 4<sup>th</sup>. They are looking at transforming the old Walmart to a one stop center and are looking for partners to collaborate in the endeavor. There is dialogue between SVC and WWU's Woodring College of Education on ways to engage the Latino population in careers in education.

*Jonna* - CHAP needs referrals.

*Jean* - Gates foundation grant is taking up much of her current time.

*Julie* de Losada is new to SCCFC and is interested in what we do. Her business card is



Julie de Losada  
Buisness Card.pdf

attached here:

## Updates

**Legislative Update** - No updates at this time as we are waiting for the budget. We should have more on FPC at the May meeting with hopefully good news. We talked about Lisa's job at the county is dissolving so she will not be working for them after June 30, 2009. We will have to discuss what this looks like for SCCFC.

**Pro-Social Opportunities and Rewards** - Will do update during action item.

**Mental Health** - This committee meets the first Wednesday of the month (except May.) We had extensive conversation regarding 12 year old Mason and how various organizations are looking at how things need to change systems wide. Children's Policy Executive Team (regionally) is looking at how do we fix the system and will be doing cross-systems analysis asking Mason's mom to review to see if everything is being addressed. The next MH meeting is Wed, May 13th at 8:30; Cascade Place Conference Room, 160 Cascade Place.

**Connecting Schools and Communities**– No update. They will meet again Tuesday, April 21, 2009 from 8:30 to 10 am @ WorkSource.

**Gang Crime Prevention Update** – This steering committee has been re-energized. They have almost completed an intercity agreement in which all the elected officials will sign off as a commitment to this issue. SS/HS is sponsoring a dinner and evening with Jorje Partida on May 14<sup>th</sup> for school boards, superintendants and administrators looking at the impact of gangs on schools, what to look for, ect. Janice discussed a survey to school principals regarding gang issues in their school plus how do they address gang issues administratively and disciplinary issues of gang members. The survey was also looking at if there was any gang prevention happening in the schools. The gang crime prevention coordination grant was declined. The state school gang prevention group has disbanded.

**RTL Oversight** – Bob discussed what RTL funds: 4 ARIS workers, ½ of a support person, \$7,000 for Y-kids scholarships and SCCAA Family Literacy. Lynn discussed the Family Literacy program @ Westview.

### Action Items

Jonna motioned to accept both February and March Meeting notes as written. Lynn seconded. Motion passed unanimously.



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Pro-Social and Rewards group completed their survey and Lyndie gave a summary of the results. She will get out to everyone as soon as they are typed up. This group decided to acknowledge youth in each separate community by interviewing selected youth as outstanding community members and give them something for appreciation. They are in need of adult representatives in each community who can nominate youth in their communities. They are looking for youth between the ages of 12-15. The pro-social group will get a list of qualifications. They usually meet after the Skagit Prevention Council, the first Friday of the Month @ 10:15 @ United cafeteria.

### Business

1. Treasurer Report – Janice presented the treasurers report and stated it was available for anyone who wanted a copy. There is nothing remarkable to report this month. The Executive Board approved monies for Lisa’s hotel to attend the CTED training: The Art and Science of Community Organizing.
2. Executive Board – Lisa discussed her meeting with Joe. Notes are attached.



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Adjourn @ 10:25 a.m.

**Our next meeting is May 20, 2009 at the Family Resource Room from 9:15 to 10:30am.**