

MINUTES
MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN
Wednesday, August 6, 2008
6:30-8:30 PM
Council Chambers- Town Hall

PRESENT: S. Baxter (staff), K. Grunwald (staff), J. Stoughton (staff), J. Goldman, C. Guerreri, L. Dahn
REGRETS: A. Bladen, N. Hovorka, S. Daley, L. Oransoff, M.J. Newman, D. McLaughlin, J. Higham, B. Lehmann, K. Russo,

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
<i>Open</i>	<p><i>-Welcome: S. Baxter called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM.</i></p> <p><i>-Vote to adopt 6/4/08 MAC Minutes: J. Goldman raised questions about the Infant/Toddler group description in the minutes. Correct that the group is meeting monthly to establish next steps, and Jane and Anne and co-chairs of the Work/Life committee met with Tom Callahan to discuss the need for a feasibility study regarding infant/toddler needs in the community.</i></p> <p><i>- School Readiness Grant and Local Planning Grant Awards:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• S. Baxter announced that the SR grant was awarded in the amount of \$107,000, and all four Centers in town are participating. Almost all slots are filled.</i> <i>• Mansfield received a Community Planning grant in the amount of \$40,000 for</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• Minutes were corrected noting changes on the Infant/Toddler group report. It should also be noted that Family Information packets were <i>partially</i> funded by a local realtor. There was not a quorum present to adopt the minutes. Send out corrected minutes for the next meeting.</i> <i>• Have a regular status report on the agenda for the MAC meeting from the Leadership Work Group.</i> <i>• Create a link on the MAC page of the Town's website to www.leadershipmac.blogspot.com.</i>

	<i>July 1, 2008- June 30, 2009. The group is meeting monthly and information is posted on a blog that has been created.</i>	
Discovery Action Plan	<i>Review recently submitted mid-year report of Discovery Action Plan and plan work for the last 6 mos. of the year: S. Baxter distributed copies of the mid-year report that was sent to Graustein.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C. Guerreri will send a draft public information plan for possible involvement in influencing the legislature. • Explore opportunities to collaborate with the NE Regional group. • Continue to work with Sue Wilson to obtain TA on data collection and analysis.
Mansfield Family Information Packets	Small group Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of this small group were not present. No small group reports.
Graduate Student Orientation	Discuss ways that we can assess the needs of UCONN graduate students with young children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • S. Baxter and J. Goldman will discuss this.
Sexual Abuse Prevention Program	<i>Recruit help for evening program for parents</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On Sept. 23 there will be a presentation on prevention of sexual abuse of children from 6-8; there will be flyers distributed throughout the school system.
NEXT MTG.	October 1 st 6:30-8:00PM Town Hall, Council Chambers	Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Grunwald