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MANSFIELD ADVOCATES FOR CHILDREN

Wednesday, OCTOBER 5, 2011

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: : K. Grunwald (staff), S. Baxter (staff), J. Woodmansee (staff), F. Baruzzi (staff), R. LeClerc (staff), G. Bent (Co-Chair), J. Goldman, J. Stoughton (Co-Chair), E. Tulman, L. Young, J. Higham, V. Fry, E. Soffer Roberts, S. Anderson, P. Braithwaite, M. LaPlaca

GUESTS: Bill Waite and Jill Coghlan, from CCEA

REGRETS: C. Kim, MJ Newman, S. Daley, L. Dahn, A. Bloom, J. Bolsteridge, C. Guerreri, J. Suedmeyer

ITEM	DISCUSSION	OUTCOME
Call to Order	G. Bent called the meeting to order at 5:30pm and introduced Bill Waite and Jill Coghlan from UConn CCEA.	
CCEA presentation	Bill Waite and Jill Coghlan are present from CCEA to discuss the status of the data. B. Waite explained that the goal is to use the data to identify those areas that need improvement and that are able to be improved. The group reviewed the data with regard to Question 3 as it relates to the Childcare centers, the community center, Play groups and School readiness.	October 15 th is the deadline to get Jill and Bill comments regarding the analysis of components. It was decided that a small group will be formed to include representation from all three teams to review the survey and provide Jill and Bill the questions they want responses to and for which groups of people.
Announcements and Updates	G. Bent reported that a change is being made to the Agenda and the meeting will adjourn at 7:00pm. Members reviewed the 9/7/11 Draft Minutes. It was noted that the date was missing and that the correct web address is www.mansfieldct.org	<i>Motion:</i> <i>J. Higham moves to approve the 9/7/11 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended. V. Fry seconds and the motion passes unanimously.</i>

	<p>Members were provided a proposed list of dates for the MAC 2012 Regular Meetings and Executive Council Meetings.</p> <p>K. Grunwald reported that there has been an internal delay in the hiring of Sandy’s successor.</p> <p>S. Baxter reported that the Stone Soup conference is scheduled for, Tuesday, October 25, 2011 from 8:30am to 4:00pm.</p> <p>K Grunwald reported that the booth on the Festival on the Green was a great opportunity to engage parents regarding MAC and the playground project. He noted his thanks to Mansfield Supply for providing the materials for the children’s hammering project. He also noted that many people signed up to get more information and to work on the project. E. Soffer-Roberts added that she attended a recent meeting of the Downtown Partnership and that the playground is included in their plan.</p>	<p><i>Motion:</i> <i>P. Braithwaite moves to approve the 2012 Calendar for the MAC Regular Meeting and Executive Council Regular Meetings. J. Higham seconds and the motion passes unanimously.</i></p> <p>K. Grunwald will provide an update when there is one.</p> <p>S. Baxter will provide flyers.</p> <p>The next Playground Committee meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 13th at 7:00pm.</p>
<p>Discussion regarding 11/2 MAC meeting</p>	<p>G. Bent noted that Bennett Pudlin from Charter Oak Group, LLC will present an RBA exercise from 5:00pm – 8:00pm at the next MAC meeting scheduled for November 2nd.</p>	<p>J. Woodmansee will send out a reminder email to all of MAC regarding Bennett’s presentation and team leaders will make phone calls to members.</p>
<p>Agenda Items for November Meeting</p>	<p>S. Baxter reported that the Graustein Interim Report is due on November 15th but that the format remains TBD. She also noted that there will likely be a transition grant from 3/31 through 7/1 so that the grant will align with the town’s fiscal year.</p>	<p>In advance of the preparation of this report, teams should be thinking about the following: what they have done; what they still have yet to do; what needs follow-up; priorities; timelines; and, RBA.</p>
<p>Agenda Items for December Meeting</p>	<p>J. Goldman suggested that the collaborative review the overall focus of MAC and that the focus be on one group project. One suggestion is that to focus on the health and wellness of children.</p> <p>It was noted that the Moms Club has offered services to assist MAC.</p>	<p>Thought will be given as to how the generous offer from</p>

		the Moms Club can be utilized.
Adjournment	<p>Next Executive Council meeting on Wednesday, October 12th at 1:15 in Conference Room B.</p> <p>Next MAC Meeting Wednesday, November 2nd Town Hall –Council Chambers at: 5:00 – 8:00PM RBA Presentation</p> <p>Agenda topics: please send to Jillene at woodmanseejb@mansfieldct.org</p>	The meeting adjourned at 7:04pm.

“All Mansfield Children ages birth through 8 years old are healthy, successful learners connected to the community.”

Respectfully submitted,

Jillene Woodmansee