



A Grander Vision for the Heartland

Grow Grand Island Committee Meeting

Please complete and email to Nicki Stoltenberg (nickis@grand-island.com) within one week of the meeting.

Date * Sept 30; Time *9am to 10:30am; Location* Library	Recommendation Number and Name
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Attending:
 H3C Birth to 11 Committee
 Noelle Trust
 Krisa Dubbs
 Tara Peterson
 Katie Usasz
 Connie Holmes
 Sue Jensen
 Joni Kuzma
 Michell Walker
 Sally Smith
 Judy Wenrich
 Verna Haberman
 Amy Bennett



Our Vision:
A safe, healthy, & thriving community and families.

Minutes

PURPOSE: Birth to 11 - System of care planning and development

INTRODUCTIONS/CELEBRATIONS:

Celebration-Council of Alcohol and Addiction was awarded a new grant to use in elementary schools. EDN will be hiring more service coordinators.

SIXPENCE GRANT UPDATE:

Have a decrease in budget but all is going well. All full and folks are on a waiting list.

The Healthy Grant Institute (HGI) supplies have arrived. Some items this delivered month included thermometers, tooth brushes etc.

PB training is Nov 21-22. All home visitors will attend.

PROGRAM UPDATES:

1. SIXPENCE:

2. COMMUNITY CAFES:

Verna Haberman reported she met with Knickrehm group September 23. They had done some clean up work at a nearby trailer park and they met with the owner from Colorado. He thanked the group for their work. They were successful in convincing him to formulate his communication pieces in Spanish as well as English with his tenants. By doing so this will increase the understanding of code enforcement.

The Wasmer group was a no show for the fall meeting so, they will try again.

Sally Smith asked about ELC involvement. Verna explained the program is for school age only. However, they could work with the Pre School at Lincoln since they are a school age site.

The Early Learning Center has needs for collaborations from outside agencies. They were turned down for Box Tops program. They would be interested in the Food For Thought Back pack Program gas vouchers, shoes, food.

Headstart has 144 enrolled-still have a waiting list

ELC has 390 enrolled –still have a waiting list

There are hundreds not being served.

3. CIRCLE OF SECURITY:

CHI received some funding for community education classes. They are looking to hold 4-5 classes. Out of those people we would like to send 4 people to attend training in Lincoln in May 2017. They would like to have 6-10 trained facilitators committed to do 6-8 week program.

The targeted group is parents of children B-11 years old.

4. ROOTED IN RELATIONSHIPS/PYRAMID MODEL:

We will get an additional \$25,000 next year to expand. We will add new centers next year. We are currently on Module #3.

The survey results were discussed. It does not seem there was a concerted effort to survey parents. Add to agenda: Survey disbursement....last time it was used by Sixpense families and EDN families. Suggestions were to include The Early Learning Center and the five daycares from Rooted in Relationships.

5. EDN:

Judy Weinrich reported they had 196 referrals from January to July. (birth to 3yrs children who have disabilities identified at birth)

6. FAST (Families and Schools Together)

Wasmer, Knickrehm, Howard

7. Grow Grand Island

Joni asked for ideas of what can be funded by Grow GI. Joni will share a list of who is on the Early Childhood Committee.

8. Child Parent Psychotherapy

There were questions about the lack of names on the list. We will check for updates of qualified people.

9. Upcoming Trainings:

Cari Ebert –

Oct 20 – Power of Play: Effective Play Based Early

**Oct 21 – Intervention (for parents and caregivers)
ABC's of Early Intervention**

Additional Items:

Joni shared

Central Navigation

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Amy Bennett and Joni Kuzma explained extra assistance is available through Hall County Collaborative.

Funds are meant to fill in gaps for age B-11

A common referral form is used along with a survey. The referral forms can be found on NCFF Website. Must be completed to access funds. The goal is to strengthen and keep out of a higher system of care. There is an initial brief contact and a longer contact for higher system of care.

They also have a separate referral form for ages 14 up to 24th birthday.

Next meeting:

November 18 Library 9:00-10:30

Volunteer Hours: _____