

Queen Anne's County
Community Partnerships for Children and Families
Board Meeting Minutes
April 15, 2009

Drafted: May 1, 2009

Those present for the Community Partnerships for Children and Families Board Meeting:

Members Present:

Peg Anawalt, Chesapeake College	Pastor Dan Southern, Community Member
Cathy Dougherty, Department of Social Services	Roseann Squire, Community Member
Sheriff Hofmann, Q.A. Co. Sheriff's Department	Paul Stearns, Community Member
Michelle Johnson, Community Member	Geri Thompson, The Judy Center Partnership
Lynn Lang, Community Member	Denise Whiteley, Department of Juvenile Services
Mary Ruth Meredith, Community Member	Dr. Carol Williamson, Q.A. Co. Board of Education
Phyllis Naujokas, Q.A. Co. Department of Health	Laura Wood, Student Representative
Vincent Radosta, Community Member	

Administrative Staff:

Michael R. Clark, Director	Mary Ann Gleason, Family Network Specialist
Cindi Boone, Office Manager	Jennifer Stansbury, Operations Specialist
Jacki Carter, Character Counts! Coordinator	

Member Regrets:

Joan Brooks, Q.A. Co. Parks & Recreation	Ralph Marketto, Q.A. Co. Board of Education
Jeff Anthony, Community Member	Joe Newell, Mid-Shore Mental Health Systems
Rebecca Clark, Community Member	Walter Pauls, Community Member
William Duffy, Community Member	GeorgiAnna Schurr, Community Member
Margie Houck, Q.A. Co. Commissioners	Patricia Scott, Community Member
James Malaro, Community Member	Mary Walker, Community Member

Guest:

Several Community Organizations	Q.A. Co. Commissioner Paul Gunther
Congressman Frank Kratovil	Rosemary King Johnston, Executive Director of the
States Attorney Lance Richardson	Governor's Office for Children
Q.A. Co. Commissioner Carol Fordonski	Delegate Richard Sossi
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** Board member gave their proxy to another board member for this meeting.*

I. FELLOWSHIP, WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Paul Stearns, Board President, called the Annual Nightly meeting to order at 6:15 p.m. and Board members introduced themselves.

II. REPORTS:

A. Executive Committee

The Executive Committee met on April 6, 2009, to receive updates and to develop the agenda for the Nightly board meeting. The Executive Committee made no decisions that required action from the full board.

B. Secretary's Report

Michelle Johnson presented the minutes for March 2009 board meeting.

Action:

Mary Ruth Meredith moved to approve the March 2009 minutes as presented and Denise Whiteley provided a second. All present voted in favor with no abstentions and the motion was carried.

C. Treasurer's Report/Finance

Roseann Squire presented the treasurer's report for March 2009, and announced that the Executive committee along with the Finance committee will be meeting with the Q.A. County Finance department to discuss the annual audit. A report will be given to the full board at the Community Partnerships for Children and Families May meeting.

D. Membership Committee

Phyllis Naujokas, along with Roe Squire and Denise Whiteley make up the membership committee. Ms. Naujokas announced that the membership committee had determined that at least 3 positions will be vacant. An ad for new members was placed in the paper. To date, we have received no response to the request. .

E. Directors Report

Mr. Michael Clark, Partnership Director, thanked Board and Guests for attending the meeting.

Month of the Young Child

Mr. Clark announced that April is month of the young child and he mentioned that posters hanging around the room were from the contest.

F. Systems of Care Follow up

a. Coordinated Systems of Care

Mary Ann Gleason gave a brief overview of coordinated systems of care.

b. Systems of Care is Culturally Sensitive

Roseann Squires reported that the Cultural Diversity committee has been meeting regularly to evaluate the different programs used for training in Cultural Diversity that could be applied to the entire system throughout Queen Anne's County.

- III. **Master Gardener - *Show What You Know***
Paul Stearns announced that at the end of the program prizes will be awarded to people who can explain what the Community Partnerships for Children and Families goals are.
- IV. **The Root Structure -*The History of the Local Management Board & Systems Work in Queen Anne's County***
Dr. Lynn Lang, Community Member introduced herself and told the audience how she became involved with the board of the Community Partnerships for Children and Families. Dr. Lang gave a brief overview on the history of the Community Partnerships for Children and Families (LMB).
- V. **Germination-*A Story of Success***
Mike Clark Director introduced the programs under the Drug Free Queen Anne's Coalition.
- Victoria Homan, Character Counts! Coach presented on behalf of the Character Counts! program.
 - Christine Dulla, QAC Assistant State's Attorney, along with students Amanda Wallace and Kawana Gray, gave a presentation on Teen Court.
 - Pastor Dan Southern, reported on the Youth Summit project.
 - Students Maiyanna Gray, Jasmine Spence, Carmen Cheers presented on behalf of Youth Developmental Assets.
 - Ms. Madelyn Hollis, DMR committee Chair, gave an overview of Disproportionate Minority Representation.
 - Mr. Clark was prepared to report on the Mental Health Clinic, but due to the lack of time he asked the board and the community to keep a look out for progress as the funds have been received and a vendor, Lower Shore Clinic, Inc in Partnership with Crossroads Community Inc., has been selected. It is hoped that services will begin between July 1, 2009 and September 30, 2009.
- VI. **Hardpan-*Challenges and Our Responses***
- Program Sustainability Strategizing -Vincent Radosta Community Member gave the audience an overview of the Partnerships efforts to sustain local programs considering all of the state and local budget cuts.
 - Linda Kohler Foundation for Community Partnerships Inc. Chief Financial Officer, reported on the Foundation and their roll in building capacity throughout the region.
- VII. **Tilling the Earth Locally-*Queen Anne's County Update***
Queen Anne's County Commissioner Paul Gunther gave the audience an update regarding Q.A. County with an emphasis on children and family programs.
- VIII. **Cultivating-*Keynote Address***
Rosemary King Johnston, Executive Director of the Governor's Office for Children was introduced by Delegate Richard A. Sossi. Ms. Johnston gave

the audience an overview of the state's Local Management Boards and the current initiatives at the Governor's Office for Children.

IX. Recognizing those Who Help us Grow-*Community Partnerships Awards*

The Community Partnerships for Children and Families Board presented awards to nominated members of the community and local agencies for their extraordinary service. The winners who received award were:

Service Superstars:

Karl Hagelin - Six Pillar personal Inventory - Online Survey
CASA - quick start up and service provision
Agencies - DJS/DSS/BOE/Dept of Health
County Commissioners and John Borders
Drug Free Queen Anne's Coalition

Extraordinary Service Award

Amanda Showell Cook - Dancing with the Stars
Diane Lane

Lifetime Achievement Award

Congressman Frank Kratovil
Madeline Hollis

X. Gardening Blog-*Comments and Questions from Elected Officials and Guest*

Reverend Holdbrook-Smith spoke regarding the need for a Community Center.

XI. Master Gardener's-*Show What you Know-Conclusion*

Three members of the Community shared what they learned from the presentations.

XII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

- Next Meeting is May 20, 2009 at Centreville Community Church
- Character Counts Recognition Dinner May 7, 2009