

Mayor's Commission for Children
Minutes for August 8, 2017 meeting
Mid-Town Library, Springfield Mo

Members present: Doug McNeal, Jennifer Baker, Linda Ramey-Greiwe, Christy Davis, Kimberly Shinn Brown, Kayce Morton, Bria Coale, Shara Cash, Alexis Brown, Elizabeth Andrews, Susan Henderson, Jan Fisk, Ken McClure, Paul Satterwhite , Members absent: Gerry Lee and Laurie Edmondson Staff: Brigitte Marrs

1. Welcome Doug McNeal called the meeting to order at 8:02
2. Approval of minutes Minutes from the July Commission meeting were approved. Sign in sheet and updates to commission roster was established for city clerk to update.
3. Card and recognition for Denise established as part of the brick campaign.
4. Mayor McClure spoke to the commission thanking everyone for serving on this important commission and acting as a voice for children in the community. Jan Fisk was selected to represent council on the commission.
5. Brigitte addressed the long and short term goals for the commission. Handouts were given out. Filling vacancies from the applicant pool would be high on the agenda before the next commission meeting. The executive committee will meet to select the nominations to be sent to the mayor.
6. The remaining schedule for the years was discussed. There would be off site visits to Shady Dell and Shining stars in September and October. November 1 a retreat is planned at the Boathouse at Lake Springfield from 3:30-6:30. November 14 meeting will involve local legislators.
7. Intern will be starting from Drury to help with social media and webpage presence. A campaign class from Missouri State university will be working with the commission and SPS to help in messaging to the community the need for early childhood programs in our community.
8. Commission will have three work groups. Data, Community awareness/Communication, and Advocacy. If anyone is interested in chairing one of those sub groups contact Brigitte.
9. Announcements from around the table
10. Doug McNeal adjourned the meeting at 9:05