

Mayor's Commission for Children Minutes

Tuesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 8 am

Springfield Chamber of Commerce- Bill Foster South Conference Room

Members present: Jennifer McClure, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews, Missy Riley, Christy Davis, Bria Coale, Shara Cash, Linda Ramey-Greive

Members absent: Gerry Lee, Susan Henderson

Council present: Pat Gartland, John Chastain, Amy Chenoweth, Laurie Edmondson, Kimberly- Shinn Brown, Jennifer Baker

Council absent: Dr. Doug McNeal, Dr. Denise Fredrick, Dr. Kayce Morton, Paul Satterwhite, Alexis Brown  
Jan Fisk

Jennifer McClure brought the meeting to order with asking approval of the minutes from March and April minutes as well as the retreat minutes. Dr. Elizabeth Andrews made a motion to accept minutes and Shara Cash seconded.

Morey Mechlin did a review of her report and opened it up to questions. She praised the dedicated people, the right people with tremendous focus on the issues in the community. She felt that the focus needed to be on Committee Structure. Focus on Strengths and Weaknesses. Lots of opportunities for the Commission. Jennifer Baker felt we needed to communicate the best practices going on in the community on our social media platforms.

Brigitte led a discussion about our draft of mission and vision statements. There was input from the group and the changes will be presented and voted on at the June meeting. Also, the June meeting will focus on committee work. Amy Chenoweth will open June meeting with a brief presentation regarding identifying suicide indicators in children.

Commission members will be attending the Prosper Springfield Breakfast and the Good Morning Springfield Breakfast. Our mayor will be delivering his annual State of the City address. Also, selection for the new city manager is in process and everyone is encouraged to attend the public event to meet both candidates.