

Mayor's Commission for Children Meeting Minutes

Tuesday July 10, 2018 8 am

Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Foster South Conference Room

202 S John Q Hammons Parkway

Springfield, Mo 65804

Members Present: Shara Cash, Bria Coale, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews, Jennifer McClure, Missy Riley, Christy Davis, Linda Ramey-Greiwe, Susan Henderson

Members absent: Gerry Lee

Advisory Council Present: Jan Fisk, Dr. Denise Fredrick, Pat Gartland, Dr. Jennifer Baker, Carol Wooten, Dr. Laurie Edmondson, Alexis Brown, Dr. Kayce Morton, Dr. Doug McNeal, Kimberly Shinn-Brown, Amy Chenoweth

Advisory Council absent: Morey Mechlin, Paul Satterwhite, John Chastain

Jennifer McClure brought the meeting to order at 8:02 and invited the group to look at minutes. A motion to approve with corrections noted by Linda-Ramey Greiwe. Dr. Elizabeth Andrews seconded the motion. Members voted to approve June minutes.

Discussion about the upcoming programs for the rest of the calendar year from the commission and council began. The outcome was that CJ Davis would be our next speaker at the **August** meeting speaking on the Opioid crisis. CJ is the CEO of Burrell Mental Health assuming that role last year. **September** will be on location at Jordan Valley Health and **October** will be on location at Campbell Elementary. **November** will be Jeff Quinn from Duke University to discuss the program Family Connect and to give us an update of the data and new sites who are implementing Family Connect. **December** will be inviting legislators to speak about the upcoming 2019 legislative session and children's issues that will be addressed.

Discussion about teaming with Good Community group with Family Connect and inviting non-profits to hear Jeff Quinn while he is in town. Brigitte will follow up. Also inviting Heather from Darr foundation to be a part of the conversation.

Around the table discussion and announcements followed with Missy Riley giving a Campbell update. School starts August 15th. Dr. Denise Fredrick mentioned as a follow-up to our May meeting that Suicide Prevention Training for Teachers was in progress this summer. Ronda Mamem might be a potential speaker on how SPS is training staff on this important issue facing children and their families.

Alexis Brown from Jordan Valley reported on Back to School vaccines are being administered to many more children this year at the clinic. We will get an update on numbers at the next meeting

Linda Ramey-Greiwe reported that a task force has been developed to look at 2nd and 3rd shift childcare availability in the city of Springfield for women who work those shifts. Many are receiving training to work these jobs to get better wages -but child care is limited. Linda will report back at the next meeting.

Dr. Jennifer Baker reported that the State Father Conference will be November 6-9 in Springfield. More details to follow.

Pat Gartland reminded the group about the upcoming dedication to the African American trail that will link some very important northside sites to the African American population in our city,

Dr. Kayce Morton shared with the group about an upcoming state-wide campaign called Tobacco 21.

This initiative is based on cigarette sales to 21 and over being the law in the state of Missouri. She is will be working with the Greene County Medical Society and the Springfield Greene County Health Department to help communicate the message. She will update us at the next meeting.

Gerry Lee will be meeting with the Mayor to answer some of the Advocacy questions from the strategic plan. Jennifer McClure will be reaching out to Cora Scott to clarify communication policy for the MCC.

The data committee reported the data components for the updated communication pieces to be developed this fall.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00

Next meeting will be August 14th at 8 am with CJ Davis as the speaker.