

Mayor's Commission for Children Minutes

Tuesday July 9, 2019 8 am

Springfield Chamber of Commerce

Bill Foster South Conference Room

202 S John Q Hammons Parkway

Springfield Mo 65806

Members present: Jennifer McClure, Chris Jarratt, Linda Saturno, Missy Riley, Christy Davis, Susie Henderson, Shara Cash

Members absent: Bria Coale, Trysta Herzog

Commission members present: Mike White, Kimberly Shinn-Brown, John Chastain, Dr. Jennifer Baker, Dr. Doug McNeal, Pat Gartland, Dr. Kayce Morton

Commission members absent: Morey Mechlin, Gerry Lee, Dr. Laurie Edmondson, Jan Fisk, Dr. Denise Fredrick, Alexis Brown, Amy Chenoweth, Carol Wooten, Linda Ramey-Greiwe, Dr. Elizabeth Andrews

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 by Jennifer McClure, chairman of the MCC. Minutes were discussed. Shara Cash made a motion for minutes to be approved and Pat Gartland seconded. Minutes approved.

Jennifer McClure gave an update on Board and Advisory composition. We will be meeting with Ken McClure the mayor to discuss vacancy in November. Shara Cash will be rolling off after serving two terms.

Brigitte gave an update on Tobacco 21 and its passage with City Council. There appears to be no opposition to this new ordinance. Family Connect is moving into a phase with a committee structure to develop a feasibility study. The Greene Co Health Department/ Family Connect project was selected to participate with the Commonwealth Fund and Missouri Foundation for Health with four targeted webinars on moving forward with this project. Christy Davis, Kimberly Shinn Brown, Jennifer McClure, Alexis Brown, Brigitte Marrs and Dr. Elizabeth Andrews are participants in the webinar. A sub-committee on behavior met to discuss solutions with making sure our pre-k population, teachers and parents have access to behavioral assessment and programming. Pre-K can access the behavioral analysts from the partnership with Burrell. We will check back in after the first semester is over. The Justice Center is looking at moving into Tefft. 2/6 Health Living alliance priorities are Pre-K expansion and Family Connect. The Southwest Pre-K groundbreaking will be sometime before school starts. Look for a notice- all are encouraged to attend.

Some of the ideas for our next few meetings. City Comprehensive plans-timelines and involvement,

Good workforce development programs in our city-highlight Jobs for Life mentoring program and have a chamber person tell us about the new Fast Track Connections. Skill up Program too.

Trauma informed Care-where are we as a community and a state.

Legislative priorities and our local delegation on children's issues

December retreat with new commission member sworn in and new chairman and vice chairman for 2020.

Next meeting August 13th at 8 am at the chamber. First day of school for SPS.