

Fairfield Community Coordinating Council
Meeting Minutes
August 8, 2007

Chairperson: Sarah McMaster (Fairfield County Library)

Members Present: Sarah McMaster, Chair, J. L. Dozier, Jr, CEO (FMH), Kristi Godwin (FMH), Roberta Hartman (American Cancer Society), Sandi Gratic, FC Behavioral Services, Beverlyann Austin, (Upper Midlands Network), Atyia Sapp, (AHEC Intern) Jill Cincotta, Downtown Development, Patti Wilkes, (FirstSteps), Sandy Kammermann (JAMPHCC), Kathy Brewer, (DHEC), Jean Govan, (PPHCC), Dottie reed, (SC Legal Services), Shirley Bates (CareLink) and Mac Russell (FMH).

Chairperson Sarah McMaster called the meeting to order at 11:50.

I. Welcome and Introductions

Ms. McMaster welcomed everyone and introductions were made.

II. Approval of June 13, 2007 Minutes:

The minutes were approved as distributed.

III. Officers Report

A. Chair: – No Report

B. Vice – Chair: No report.

C. Secretary: J. L. Dozier, Jr. – No report.

D. Treasurer/Membership: The account balance is \$219.18

E. FCHP Representative: Ms. Govan reported that the next meeting will be September 13. There have not been speakers for the last several meetings and the meetings were mostly networking.

V. Committee Reports:

A. Executive: No report.

B. Youth and Families: Currently inactive.

C. Nutrition: Ms. Kammermann reported that the group had met in the last month. They have a new fitness challenge beginning and met with Russell Price of the Recreation Commission to see if the program could be held there, but he has since resigned and everything is now on hold.

D. Membership: Members were encouraged to please pay their dues.

VI. Continuing Business: None

VIII. New Business: Ms. McMaster was asked if the Resource Directory on the library website was operational and she stated that it was not. It was suggested that the Resource Directory be updated and then maybe it could be placed on the Chamber website. Ms. McMaster stated that she will start working on the revisions.

IX. Program – Courtney Cooper – Communicare

Ms. Cooper distributed information on Communicare, a non-profit agency that provides prescription drugs for qualified applicants. She then answered questions from the committee.

X. Networking:

Beverlyann Austin – Upper Midlands Rural Health Network - Ms. Austin reported that she had nothing new to report. She now has the Outreach Advisory Committee in place.

Kathy Brewer – DHEC – Ms. Brewer distributed stop smoking brochures and informed the group that she available signs for buildings stating that this is a non-smoking facility.

Paula Hartman – American Cancer Society – Ms. Hartman distributed information on services available to cancer patients through their organization. She also distributed information on the different topics that the organization has lobbied for or against in regards to cancer.

Dottie Reed – SC Legal Services - Ms. Reed stated that she is looking for opportunities to educate the community on the different issues that her agency can provide. The agency can provide services to assist with family law, issues with bill collectors and wills. She can contacted at 803-744-4163.

Sarah McMaster – FF County Library – Ms. McMaster reported that the summer reading programs are winding down with the beginning of school. The library had 250 children to register for the reading program and 65 were awarded badges. The library is now wireless. They are still working out the kinks but it is operational. At this time the library is experiencing some problems with the computer internet services provided by the state. The expansion project is on hold until funds can be found.

Jean Govan – Palmetto Primary Health Care – Helen Bryson has replaced Wallace Brown as executive officer. Dr. Yearwood is the interim medical director. Dr. Aderoju's last day is August 10 and at this time no replacement has been named. The West Fairfield Clinic is continuing to grow. Dr. Washington is the primary physician at the clinic.

Sandy Kammermann – Martin Primary Health Care – Ms. Kammermann distributed flyers on prenatal class and weight loss programs. Ms. Kammermann stated that the prenatal classes are free to anyone who lives in the county.

Mac Russell – Fairfield Diabetic Education – Ms. Russell stated that she is currently holding 2 classes a month and has approximately 30 patients. She said that she was available for classes and education opportunities.

Larry Dozier - Fairfield Memorial Hospital – Mr. Dozier stated that the new director of the Rehabilitation Department, Jason Hazel, has now completely staffed the department is now pushing the swing bed program. The department is now capable of providing rehab services 7 days a week for most all rehab programs.

Patti Wilkes – First Steps – Ms. Wilkes stated all childcare slots have been taken. They will be starting a new Parenting workshop in the next two weeks. The program is "Active Parenting Now". They are accepting referrals for the program. Mr. Dozier asked about the Imagination Library. Ms. Wilkes stated that the state funding has been cut and the program is in need of private funds. The program allowed 264 children to receive books in July.

X. ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

XI. NEXT MEETING, September 12, 2007 at 11:30.