

Fairfield Community Coordinating Council
Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2007

Chairperson: Sarah McMaster (Fairfield County Library)

Members Present: Sandy Kammermann, Sarah McMaster, Patti Wilkes, Sandi Gratic, Jill Cincotta, Roberta Hartman, Frances Lee O'neal, Jim Nichols, Beverlyann Austin, and Jean Govan

Chairperson Sarah McMaster called the meeting to order at 11:45.

I. Welcome and Introductions

Ms. McMaster welcomed everyone. Jim Nichols, the new County Director for Fairfield County was introduced. Members present introduced themselves and told which agency they were representing.

II. Approval of October 10, 2007 Minutes:

The minutes were approved.

III. Officers Report

- A. Chair:** – Sarah asked for input regarding what is normally a Christmas Luncheon. Since we are limited as far as restaurants in Winnsboro, and there is nothing planned for this room so far, we will plan to meet here on December 12. This will be verified and sent out in email.
- B. Vice – Chair:** No report.
- C. Secretary: J. L. Dozier, Jr.** – No report.
- D. Treasurer/Membership:** The FCCC account balance is \$224.18.
- E. FCHP Representative:** Sandy Kammermann, Jim Nichols and Sandi Gratic were all present at the meeting. Programs discussed included the OASIS program through FBHS and grants available through the USDA-Rural Development office, (John Arco). We plan to have these programs brought to FCCC for a program in the near future. The next FCHP meeting will be in January.

V. Committee Reports:

- A. Executive:** No report.
- B. Youth and Families:** Currently inactive.
- C. Nutrition:** Sandy reported that the Get Fit Fairfield program will have its final weigh-ins November 27 – 29. The winner will be announced at the Dot Hobbs park on December 7, in conjunction with the First Friday festivities. As a part of the grant that Mac Russell was hired to work with the Community Nutrition Networking Guide has been produced. You can access this at www.med.sc.edu . The next weight control class will begin in January. Information sessions will be held on January 8th and 15th at the Diabetes Education Center
- D. Membership:** Members were encouraged to please pay their dues.

VI. Continuing Business: John Arco of USDA Rural Development and Vernon Kennedy of FBHS will be asked to provide programs in the near future. Vernon is also involved with the newly formed CDC which is working towards providing ACCESS housing for teachers.

VII. New Business: None

VIII. Program: Sarah distributed a listing of resources that she and Sandy have been working on. All present were asked to make corrections and additions as necessary. This will be distributed

again at the December meeting. This list can be found on the www.fairfieldccc.org website. Additional changes can be sent to Sarah via her email: sarah@fairfield.lib.sc.us .

VIII. Networking:

Jill Cincotta: Jill will be planning the Winnsboro Christmas Parade this year. It is being moved from Sunday afternoon to the First Friday activities. The parade will begin at 6:00. The tree-lighting will be held at 7:00. Since the Christmas Tree will now be one that has been planted in the Dot Hobbs Park, new ornaments will be used. Jill, along with Melissa Kowalski at Serendipity Books, will be hosting an ornament making drop-in on Saturday, December 1st at the bookstore.

Roberta Hartman: Roberta is retiring. This will be her final meeting with us. She stressed the use of the American Cancer Society reminding those present that services are FREE. A list of services can be found at www.acs.org .

Frances Lee O'Neal: The DELC Center is sponsoring a Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 20th at Fairfield Central High School. Can foods will be collected by the Interact Club and the Senior Class of Fairfield Central on Friday, November 16. Rotary will be collecting can goods on Tuesday, November 20th. The Santa Train will be offering rides for three Saturdays beginning the Saturday after Thanksgiving.

Jean Govan: Jean thanked all for the successful Health Fair/Harvest Fair. On February 6 there will be a meeting to decide if this will become an annual event. She also spoke of the Health Partners meeting.

Jim Nichols: There is a need for Foster families. There are presently approximately 18 homes in Fairfield County. There are 5000 children in foster care in SC. The new state director, Kathleen Hayes, is making positive changes throughout DSS. If anyone hears of problems with DSS, please direct those problems to him.

Sarah McMaster: This is children's book week. There are guest readers planned for the week. The annual Trim the Tree party is planned for Thursday, December 6th. She is still working on expansion of the Library. She reminded those present to send information to her for the Community Calendar.

Sandi Gratic: A new statewide initiative is being implemented. DAODAS is compiling DATA analysis for research for changes in the programs. This should also reduce the time between the initial contact and actually receiving of services. This project is call STAR-SI.

Sandy Kammermann: The latest prenatal classes (last Saturday) had six in attendance. These mothers will receive car seats for successful completion of this class.

Patti Wilkes: The third Active Parenting Class was held last night (Nov. 13th) with 15 of the 17 parents having completed those classes. The Region II meeting will be held at the Fairfield County First Steps office on Tuesday, November 20, 10 – 12.

Beverlyann Austin: One goal of the HRSA grant was to put a new nurse in each middle school in Fairfield and Chester counties. This was met. The Healthy Lifestyles program is being offered in Chester. She hopes to bring that to Fairfield soon.

X. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 1:05 PM

XI. NEXT MEETING: December 12, 2007