

Spalding County Collaborative Authority for Families and Children, Inc.

Meeting Minutes

Spalding County Health Department

September 10, 2014 9:00 AM

Present: Regina Abbott, Margaret Bentley, Deborah Britt, Carmen Caldwell, Grady Caldwell, Kathleen Caldwell, Janie Clark, Dr. William Colvin, John Devlin, Will Doss, Phyllis Easton-Barkley, Richard Edkins, Anissa Freeman, Ida Freeman, Jerome Garland, Theo Harris, Sharon Harvey, Kay Johnson, Afiya King, Jessica Layfield, Sherry Maddock, Tracy McLean, Brian Miller, Donna Parks, Caleb Platel, Jillian Rafter, Eula Redding, Dale Rush, Glorine Thurman, Cynthia Tidwell, Joseph Walker, Kim Walker, and Jewel Walker-Harps. (33)

Meeting was called to order by Chair Carmen Caldwell followed by prayer given by Will Doss and pledge led by Grady Caldwell.

Motion was made by Grady Caldwell and seconded by Phyllis Easton-Barkley to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2014 meeting; unanimously approved.

Director's / Coordinator's Report

GA Division of Family and Children Services, Office of Prevention and Family Support did not fund our Child Abuse and Neglect (Triple P) request; the draft annual Family Connection collaborative self-assessment is available online for review and input.

Presentation

Robert Dull, CEO, Griffin Housing Authority (GHA), presented A Neighborhood Community Center Built on the Past: Fairmont Rosenwald School Complex as the Centerpiece for Area Revitalization in Griffin, Georgia. The full report is available at www.spaldingcollaborative.com. GHA received the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) Merit Award in July for the Educational Prosperity Initiative (EPI) and moved up to national competition for excellence. NAHRO recently announced GHA is one of 19 Awards of Excellence to be presented in Baltimore, MD next month.

Healthy Children Strategy

The 3rd Annual 5K Scrub Run sponsored by Spalding Regional Hospital to benefit the Backpack Food for Kids Program is scheduled for Saturday at 9 am. Volunteers are needed along the route to provide water to runners.

Healthy Youth Strategy

The Youth Advisory Council is planning an underage drinking prevention project.

Healthy Community Strategy

Senior Issues – Dr. Perry Buffington from UGA is the keynote speaker for the September 23 conference.

Re-entry Task Force – Awaiting word on the \$700,000 grant application to the Department of Justice to serve 75 men; much going on in Georgia through the Governor's statewide Task Force; RTF will meet 2 pm Tuesday at UGA.

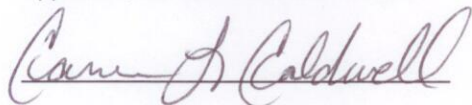
Educational Prosperity Initiative – ditto Bob's presentation.

Introductions & Announcements

Free drive-through flu shots at Spalding County Health Department on September 30 and October 1 from 7 am – 7 pm, while supplies (1,100 doses) last. Life Chain silent prayer vigil on October 5 from 2:30-3:30 pm in the Chick-Fil-A parking lot. Eagles Way Church is working with Futral Road Elementary and Rehoboth Road Middle Schools on publishing opportunities. Contact Toni Doty for information about upcoming Southern Crescent Technical College health fair. Making Griffin-Spalding Better Together Conference is scheduled for November 1 at UGA Stuckey Auditorium (<http://bettergriffinspalding.org/>). The Council on Alcohol and Drugs announced the upcoming 30 Days of Prevention Awareness campaign. GSCS Mentoring volunteer training scheduled for next week. CHARMS afterschool program is offered at Fairmont Homes Monday through Thursday from 3-5 pm. The first Mid Georgia Doc Holliday Festival is planned for September 25-26 by Eagles Way Church, City, County, Chamber and Main Street. Funds raised for charity will go to Spalding Collaborative for children's charities. Spalding County Fire Department annual golf tournament scheduled September 18. Proceeds benefit DFCS Christmas for foster children. Free tutoring available at Carver Road and Cowan Road Middle Schools (contact joan.hobbs@gscs.org or marian.sorenson@gscs.org respectively for information). GSCS is offering a Math Standards Workshop for parents on September 22; childcare and transportation available (contact Jessica.layfield@gscs.org for information).

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting is set for October 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at the Spalding County Health Department Training Room.

Approved, Carmen Caldwell – Chair



Respectfully Submitted, Regina Abbott – Coordinator

