

Spalding County Collaborative Authority for Families and Children, Inc.
Meeting Minutes
Spalding County Health Department
March 11, 2015

Present: Mamie Tomys, Glyn Daniels, Tracy Mclean, Kim Stephens, Brenda King, Ella Flemister, Grady Caldwell, James Johnston, Mike Hubbard, Dewey Haley, Cherry Hovatter, Whitney Varner, Anissa Freeman, Sheila Hall, Debbie Crisp, Kay Johnson, Wanda Ericksen, Molli Pruitt, Sherry Maddock, Carmen Caldwell, Ebony McGriff, Crystal McDowell.

The meeting was called to order by Will Doss in the absence of Cynthia Tidwell, President.. Prayer by Will Doss followed by the pledge to the Flag.

A motion made by Grady Caldwell and seconded by James Johnston to adopt the minutes as printed of February 11, 2015. The motion passed.

The Director's/Coordinator's report—Joseph Walker and Regina Abbott were absent.

The presentation was made by Debbie Crisp of the Griffin- Spalding School System on "Project Aware". Kelly Petaccio was absent. This is a new program sponsored by a grant which was inspired from the Sandy Creek incident. Spalding, Muscogee and Newton Counties were recipients. The intent of the program is to early identify students with mental health issues. The program is proactive and provides a path to resources to meet identified mental health needs of school-aged children in the community. There are several youth health trainers who are working to train assistant principal, counselors, Special Education teachers and others who interact with youth. A summit is planned for April 1, at the Welcome Center, where stakeholders will come together to network.

Debbie stated that she or someone plan to be at each Collaborative meeting to give an update.

Senior Issues: James Johnston reminded everybody to attend the Fraud Prevention Workshop on Wednesday, March 25, 2015 at the Spalding Senior Center.

HealthyChildren: Molli Pruitt promoted the Healthy Youth Conference for April 2, 2015. She gave an outline of activities.

Healthy Youth: Carmen Caldwell discussed the following: Leadership Institute, plans to stress April as alcohol awareness month, fund raising for the youth conference this summer. The GHA announced its Spring Fling during the Spring Break at the Healthy Life Garden. Help is needed. They will also have a Father's Day Initiative which is required by HUD. (TBA)

Re-Entry Task Force: Absent

Educational Prosperity Initiative: Jewel Walker-Harps stated that members would not be having regular meeting but attending the Healthy Youth Conference. She announced the Oral History Project. *Children*

A representative from Pathway's was present.

Will Doss

Approved by : Will Doss, Vice Chair

Jewel Walker-Harps
Recorded by: Jewel Walker-Harps
For
Regina Abbott, Coordinator