



SPALDING COLLABORATIVE MINUTES

Meeting/Project Name:	Spalding County Collaborative Authority for Families & Children		
Date of Meeting:	12/09/2015	Time:	9:00am-10am
Minutes Prepared By:	Regina Abbott	Location:	Spalding County Health Department

1. Meeting Objective

Holiday Celebration and Networking

2. Attendance at Meeting (24)

Regina Abbott	Carmen Caldwell	Anissa Freeman	Daniella Maddox	Joseph Walker
Krystal Bailey	Grady Caldwell	Shelia Hall	Tracy McLean	Jewel Walker-Harps
Sonja Baisden	Kathleen Caldwell	Anthony Hill	Kelly Petaccio	Suzanne Wilk
Doris Breland	Debbie Crisp	Kay Johnson	Kim Stephens	Jeanette
Sandra Brownlee	Glynn Daniels	James Johnston	Cynthia Tidwell	Annetta Berry

3. Announcements

Topic: Proposed Study on the Social Network Structure and Dynamics of GaFCP Collaboratives

Spalding Collaborative is taking part in a pilot with the Ga Family Connection Partnership and researchers from Georgia State University to develop a study that measures the effectiveness of a collaborative using PARTNER (Program to Analyze, Record, and Track Networks to Enhance Relationships), a tool to improve collaboration with the public health system. Collaborative member and partner organizations will be invited to complete a comprehensive survey on December 15. Only one survey is needed per organization. However, all active representatives from a single organization should collectively inform the survey data. The data will be analyzed and a report with a visual interpretation of the data will be provided the Collaborative. In addition, the Collaborative will receive a stipend of \$500 for participating in the pilot. The product will show the depth of relationships between organizations.

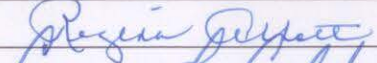

Topic: Family & Community Engagement Grants

Regional family engagement training is offered to FC Collaboratives and partner organizations. The training will cover key practices and strategies for engaging families with young children. In 2016, 20 competitive family and community engagement grants will be awarded to Family Connection collaboratives across Georgia. Funded collaboratives must embed family engagement strategies into their existing plans. Working with other partners focused on dual language learners and families with children with disabilities, these groups will develop community based strategies to reach out to the families in their communities to encourage and support the use of developmental tools, activities and information to enhance their ability to support their children's development. The focus of these grants are families with children birth to age 8. The grants will be for the amount of up to \$10,000 each. The Request for Proposals will be released by the end of January.

Topic: Discovering Soldiers Potential "The Second Time Around" (DSPII)

Sandra Brownlee will present on DSPII at the January 13, 2016 meeting.

Adjourned

Submitted by:		Regina Abbott
Approved by:		Carmen Caldwell, Chair