

Penticton CFK Table/HUB Minutes
March 11, 2009-03-15 3:00-4:30 pm
StrongStart, Queens Park Elementary
330 Power St, Penticton

Present: Leah Spanier, Dena Swan, Ted Hagmeier, Suzanne Chevier, Cherry Campbell, Deb Hardman, Wendy Kenward, Karen Brough, Corinne Valleau, Marijean Day, Maryland Fuime, Zac Plensky, Frances Monro, Christine Schwarz, Kelly Moog

Regrets: Brenda Barber

1. Christine Schwarz and Kelly Moog co-chaired
2. Differences between HUB & CFK Table were discussed
 - a. Communities for Kids looks at the broader picture issues, MACRO
 - b. HUB focuses on specifics, MICRO
3. A decision was made to have the HUB meeting evolve onto the Penticton CFK Table
Communities for Kids is approaching its annual evaluation which guides the direction of CFK. Table members are encouraged to participate in, more information at the next meeting.
4. The CFK Steering Committee supports the South Okanagan Similkameen as a region so regional issues are addressed at the monthly meetings.
5. A link needs to be established between the CFK Table Meeting and the CYFC meeting at Mental Health. Several people are attending both now.
6. Goal of CFK Table
 - a. Reporting for any agency required to
 - b. Program updates and networking opportunities
 - c. Community needs & barriers – parents, families, service providers

7. Membership: will be open to all interested, sub-committees may be struck for specific issues
8. Meetings will happen the third Wednesday, 3:00 – 4:30 pm, Queens Park Elementary StrongStart, 330 Power St. Other options are the Community Center or the Chamber of Commerce.
9. Christine Davidson – feels there is a lack of Pre-natal and Pregnancy information available in the community. She asked that one page be added to the CFK site (www.communitiesforkids.ca) for these topics. She will contact the web designer and ask the cost of setting it up and maintaining it and bring the information to the next meeting.

Next meeting dates:

April 15, 2009

May 20, 2009

June 17, 2009

PROGRAM UPDATES FOLLOW

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1. FASD training is happening in Princeton. Will be in Penticton and Oliver in the future.
Call Linette Farmer 250-492-5814 for more info.
2. MCFD - Early Intervention Therapy Guidelines
www.mcf.gov.bc.ca/spec_needs/
3. ECE meetings for kindergarten and pre-school teachers are happening in Penticton and Summerland. Call Christine 250-487-2206 for more info.
4. CCRR (Childcare Resources and Referral) is having an Information Night for prospective LNR's (License Not required) on April 2, 2009.
Call Corinne 250-492-2926 for more info.
5. There is a new for-profit business in the community. Scribbles is a music centered drop in for parents and children up to 5. Address is 352 Winnipeg St.
6. OSNS(Okanagan Similkameen Neurological Society) is offering:
Social Skills Group in April, 1-2-3-4 parenting group, Summer Fun for 3's & 4's in July, Kindergarten Readiness group in August.
Call OSNS 250-492-0295 for more info.
7. Making the Connection group will be offered by IDP (Infant Development Program) and SCD (Supported Child Development)
Call Karen Brough, 250-493-0512 ext 113 for more info.
8. SCD is really busy; referrals can now be made electronically.
Call Wendy or Leah 250-492-5864 for more details.
9. Annual Safe Kids Event at Penticton Safety Village. May 27, 4:00-7:00pm. First planning meeting is March 31, 2:00 - Downtown Fire Hall.
Call Christine Davidson 250-770-3504 for more info.
10. Connect Parent Training is being offered by Mental Health in April. This is about attachment theory, facilitated by The Maples staff and for children 8 and older.
Call Deb Hardman 250-487-4429 for more info.
11. Attachment - Tanya Helton - April 22, 2009 –OKB&GC, Kelowna Cost \$50.00

jforbes@boysandgirlsclubs.ca for more info

12. StrongStart programs are busy. Penticton has the largest number registered in the province. A third SS may be opening in Penticton.
13. There was recently a HIPPY Conference in Naramata. HIPPY and Aboriginal Hippy are international Home Visiting Programs. Google HIPPY for more info.
14. Penticton Community Center's Spring/Summer recreation Guide is out.
15. Pre-natal Wellness and Yoga programmed is being offered in partnership with IH and Community Center. More info in the Rec Guide.
16. Children's Health Fair" type day will be offered in late November at the Rec Center. Volunteers will entertain the children while parents can view display and gather resources. More info coming.
17. Nobody's Perfect Parenting Program, starting in April.
Call Bev McKinley 250-493-0512, ext 118 for more info
18. Penticton Health Center is offering High Risk Pre-Natal and Breastfeeding classes. Contact the Health Center 250-770-3434 for more info.
19. Caregiver Support Group for those caring for individuals impacted by FASD.
Call Dena 250-492-5814 for more info
20. Liz Schiska, S&LP at IH is back at work
21. CFK: Strategic Planning- March 19, 2009, Successby6 funding periods – August and February. Interim Funding up to \$1000.00 available anytime.
Call Blair 250-494-7289 or Kelly 250-493-4793 for more info
22. Annual Family Literacy Mall Event – January 2010.
Call Caroline 250-6960552 for more info
23. Children's Festival - Ticket Sponsorship or Ticket Outreach. Go to website for more info www.okchildrensfest.org
24. Banner Contest Art Gallery - www.galleries.bc.ca/agso

