

Community Coalition of Forest County

Meeting Minutes: January 14, 2014

Location: Crandon School District

Time: 8:30-10:00

Attendance: John Dennee, Judith Poler, Dan Packard, Anne Olson, William Chaney, George Stamper, Brian Learned, Jill Krueger, Teleka Dewing, Richard Ackley Jr., Bucky Dailey, Chuck Sekel, Donna VanZile, Kim Odekirk, Laurie Asher, Jim Asher, Kerry Fox

1. Jim Asher, Jill Krueger, Steve Nelson met in 12/14/13 and put together a rough outline of a Strategic Plan. The Action Plan templates were handed out to the respective Committee's prior to their Breakout sessions: Healthy Lifestyles, AODA, and Empowering Families.

2. Call Meeting to order at 9:38

*Motion to approve **agenda**: John Dennee and Dan Packard seconded the motion (#5 & #7)

*We are NOW a fully functioning 501C3. Wayne Link assisted the process.

*Motion to approve **Treasurers Report**: George Stamper and Dan Packard seconded the Motion

3. New Business: Committee meetings report

Committee Break Out sessions and report: **Healthy Lifestyles** in Forest County. The first discussion was on the Farmers Market. The day/hours are being changed to Wednesday's from 4:00 pm -6:00 pm. The location change is possibly to the Gazebo area on the Court House grounds. Media for the Farmers market was also discussed: News releases. The next discussion was on the Community garden projects. Jill will set up a meeting with these potential contacts: Tina VanZile, SCC, Chuck Sekel, Forest County S.S., and Teleka Dewing, Midwest Indian Mission within the next few months. The next focus of discussion was on "straw bale" gardening conference. That conference will take place on 2/20/14 and will held at the SCC Hotel & Conference. The focus of future "straw bale" gardening is the School districts and the Aging programs. Information that is beneficial is the upcoming "Color Run"-Ties That Bind You in May. The awareness of this event is directed towards Cancer. Pickle ball was a continued discussion and the Midwest Indian Mission gave approval to access the New Hope gymnasium for this activity. The Wabeno School district will be contacted on how they're running the activity. An update was given on the Bike Trail & Bike Rack campaign and update on Inviting other local coalitions & Youth groups within Forest County for a roundtable discussion. **AODA**: As of 1/14 a full time Drug Officer has been hired. They are continuing to explore the concept of Certified Prevention Specialists. Competent AODA Prevention specialists are beneficial overall. There is a current Regional plan on "Prescription Drug Abuse." They discussed modifying the plan to meet the needs of the county. The initial education will start with our Doctors. The discussion next was on a "Wraparound Coordinated Service Team." Their focus will be Mental Health. The next discussion was on adopting a County Ordinance regarding "Synthetic drugs." The goal is to have it completed by 2014. They also discussed the concept of having Youth on the County Board. The goal is to have that task in place by 2014. **Empowering Families**: The next few months the focus on two things: redefine what the "Positive Community Norm" is and to reorganize the CCFC website. The goal is easier access and to be more friendly in general.

4. Old Business: 1) Discussion of the position of a Director of CCFC. Their main focus will be: the three committees and keeping them on task. An additional task/job duty will be to look for additional funding. The sub-committee worked on a job description. A draft will be submitted at next month's meeting. 2) Decision made to not make a "Grand Marshall" Parade nomination
5. Motion to adjourn by John Dennee and seconded by Bucky Dailey. Motion carried.

Next meeting

DATE: February 11, 2014

LOCATION: Crandon School District – HS room #59

TIME: Committee meetings at 8:30 –regular meeting at 9:30