

# MONTCALM HUMAN SERVICES COALITION

December 9, 2009

Montcalm Area Intermediate School District, Stanton

## Meeting Minutes

### ATTENDANCE

Members Present: **John Johansen**, County Commissioner; **John Kroneck**, Life Guidance Wellness & Prevention; **Michelle Seigo**, Ionia Montcalm DHS; **John Van Nieuwenhuyzen**, EightCAP, Inc.; **Bob Clingenpeel**, Commission on Aging; **Laura Thompson**, Alpha Family Center; **Brenda Greenhoe**, Great Start Collaborative; **Jodie Faber**, United Lifestyles; **Dr. Scott Koenigsknecht**, Montcalm Area Intermediate School District; **Pastor Jerry Jones**, Faith Community Representative; **Erin Roberts**, RAVE; **Robert Ferrentino**, Montcalm Community College; **Franz Mogdis**, Montcalm Alliance; **Kim Brown** (for Deborah Nykamp), Catholic Charities West Michigan; **Therese Reilly**, Montcalm Area Health Center; **Kathy Betts**, Central Montcalm Community/Adult Education; **Kim Singh**, Mid-Michigan District Health Department; **Kristi Romashko** (for Judge Simon), Probate Court; **Dr. Dorothy Berg**, North Kent Guidance Services.

Members Absent: **Bill Barnwell**, Montcalm County Sheriff Office; **Mike Brewer**, Goodwill Industries; **Andrea Krause**, Prosecuting Attorney; **Chad Campbell**, Community Hope Counseling Center; **Judge Suzanne Kreeger**, 8<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court; **Bob Brown**, The Montcalm Center for Behavioral Health; **Linda Huyck**, MSUE Montcalm; **Mo Beach**, Montcalm County Habitat for Humanity; **Janet Bloomfield**, Central Area Michigan Works! Consortium; **Chris Hyzer**, County Administrator/ Controller; **Don Myers**, Vestaburg Public School; **Denise Hubbard**, United Way of Montcalm County; **Bruce Williams**, ACE Home Health Care; **Alison Barberi**, Greenville Area Community Foundation.

Staff and Others Present: **Lisa Lund**, Staff

### CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Bob Clingenpeel called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

### WELCOME

Chairperson Bob Clingenpeel welcomed members.

### CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

Motioned by John Kroneck to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by John VanNieuwhuyzen. Motion carried.

### STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

Members met in their committees with a specific focus on report card revisions. Franz Mogdis provided a verbal activity update on the transportation initiative, noting a lot of activity to happen in December. Lisa Lund suggested members check the [www.montcalmride.com](http://www.montcalmride.com) blog for updates.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **H1N1 Update**

Kim Singh distributed a handout for the members regarding local activities and updates.

### **2010 Meeting Schedule**

Members reviewed the calendar which was in their meeting packet.

Motioned by Jodie Faber to approve meeting calendar for 2010 as presented. Seconded by John Johansen. Motion carried.

The 2010 MHSC meeting information is as follows:

**Meeting Location:** All meetings are scheduled for the Michigan Room at the Montcalm Area ISD, 621 New St., Stanton; 621 New St., Stanton 48888; (989) 831-5261

**Meeting Time and Dates:** All meetings are scheduled to be held from 1:30- 3:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month (the following dates):

January 6  
February 3  
March 3  
April 7 (*note-Spring Break Week*)  
May 5  
June 2  
*No July meeting*  
August 4  
September 1- annual retreat (*note- Labor Day 9/6*)  
October 6  
November 3  
December 1

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Strong Families/Safe Children FY 2009 Annual Report**

Members reviewed the report which was in their packet submitted by Catholic Charities West Michigan.

Motioned by Dr. Berg to approve the FY 2009 report. Seconded by Jodie Faber. Motion carried. Lisa Lund will attempt to make contact with the new contractor.

### **Youth Suicide Prevention Grant**

Lisa Lund distributed a summary of the Department of Community Health Youth Suicide Prevention grant overview as well as drafted goals and objectives. Lisa Lund informed the MHSC members that only community collaboratives and tribal councils can be grant applicants, so the MHSC would need to apply for Montcalm County.

Motioned by John Kroneck to authorize the Executive Committee to submit letter of commitment and grant application. Seconded by Jerry Jones. Motion carried.

## **ADVOCACY**

### **December 3 Voter Engagement Training**

Lisa Lund noted the Voter Engagement Training event flier in the member's packets and encouraged MHSC member organizations to promote and attend it.

### **MHSC Member Suggestions for 2010 Election Year Advocacy Activities**

Members discussed opportunities to get involved with advocacy and voter education in 2010. Some of the ideas members liked included a panel with our group and a community forum. Members also discussed inviting current legislators to our meetings but Wednesdays are not a good day for them; we discussed perhaps piggy-backing a MHSC focused meeting with them following a Legislative Luncheon meeting for those interested. For January's meeting, Lisa will prepare a list of relevant Local, State and National candidate races.

## **AGENCY SHARING**

*The MHSC procedure on agency sharing asks that any members wanting their agency sharing information to go into the meeting minutes submit their information to Lisa Lund in writing (members can still share verbally at the meeting). If any MHSC members did not provide something in writing at the time of the meeting, they can still send their information to Lisa Lund afterwards who will forward to the membership.*

No items were submitted in writing.

**Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 6 from 1:30- 3:30 pm at the Montcalm Area ISD, Michigan Room.**

Adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Lund