

**CHILD HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
February 9, 2012
Freeway Medical Building
Room 906**

Attendees: Bob West, Brett Stone, Carole Garner, Charlotte Davis, Connie Whitfield, Elton Cleveland, Jada Walker, Laura Bednar, Michelle Justus, Michelle Smith, Pam Jones, Paula Smith, Rosemary Rodibaugh

Absentees: Andrea Martin, Anna Strong, Barbara Kumpe, Laura Sanders

Substitutes: Don Johnson (Kathy McFetridge), Kelly Spencer (Tony Thurman)

Staff: Brittany Johnson, Joy Rockenbach

Next meeting: March 8, 2012

Business

- ❖ A motion to accept the January minutes was made by Laura Bednar. The minutes were unanimously approved.
- ❖ Joy Rockenbach read the Expense Reimbursement Statement. A copy was provided to each of the members. Paula Smith made a motion to approve travel expenses for the committee and was seconded. Travel expenses were unanimously approved.

Farm to School Presentation

- ❖ Sheila Brown, Assistant Director of Healthy Schools, Child Nutrition Unit, presented on the Farm to School Program. A power point presentation was given to explain program opportunities and issues in Arkansas. The overview included topics such as: federal issues, meal pattern requirements, reimbursement for schools, procurement issues, geographic preferences, and commodities. Sheila will forward the link for the New Lunch Meal Pattern to Joy, who will then forward to CHAC members.

Dr. Kimbrell Meeting Update

- ❖ Barbara Kumpe organized a meeting for some of the CHAC members to meet with Dr. Kimbrell. Barbara, Jada, and Brett all attended. Jada reported that Dr. Kimbrell is very excited to be working with CHAC. He has ideas and suggestions of how the Committee can help to promote the best practices. Dr. Kimbrell agreed that he and his staff would review the CHAC Recommendations to see which ones may have the potential go down the "policy track". The meeting was very productive. Dr. Cleveland applauded the group on meeting with Dr. Kimbrell and suggested that there be annual or bi-annual meetings with Dr. Kimbrell or the Department of Education in the future.

CSH Update

- ❖ Joy reported on behalf of Jerry Clark about the JUA Training with NPLAN (National Policy and Legal Analysis Network). There was a two day training held on February 1st and 2nd, 2012 at the Embassy Suites Hotel. The training focused on effective policy development for school districts, their community partners, and local government officials. The first day training was held specifically for JUA funding recipients, to ensure these districts have the tools needed to develop a stand-alone Joint Use policy. The second day training was open to all district leaders and community leaders statewide. Also, the ARMITS conference was held at the Peabody Hotel on January 25-27, 2012. Dr. Pat Cooper was the keynote speaker. There were approximately 20 schools to sign up to learn more about the Coordinated School Health Program. Arkansas' JUA program has been selected to present at the National Weight of the Nation Conference to be held in Washington, D.C. in May.

PR Report

- ❖ Drafted brochures were distributed to committee members for review. Some felt the picture on the front of the brochure should be replaced. It was also suggested to change some of the language to read at a sixth grade comprehension level. Members agreed that phone numbers should be added to the resources list located on the back of the brochure. There was also discussion about changing the website link provided for CHAC. Joy will find out the web address that the website will be moving to.
- ❖ Barbara, Paula, Charlotte, and Joy have not had a chance to meet regarding the awards.

Organization and Program Updates

Staff

- ❖ Joy had no report.

Department of Health

- ❖ Dr. Bob West reported that it has been a light flu season and there is no new news to report. Public Health Week will be the first week in April.

Department of Education

- ❖ Dr. Laura Bednar publicly thanked Joy Rockenbach for helping with the transition process for Codie Malloy, the new Coordinated School Health Coordinator. Children's Hospital has volunteered to donate money to help fund positions and help with other things. Last week a meeting was held to discuss data sharing among the Department of Education, ACHI, and the Department of Health that would enhance the CSH evaluation along with other things. This will also help to build a better partnership and open lines of communication. Dr. Bednar also announced that they are working to get the School Based Mental Health Manuals out and approved. Barbara Kumpe and Dr. Bednar have been discussing rules and standards related to CPR in schools.

Child Nutrition Unit

- ❖ Sheila Brown announced that as of yesterday, the first presentation was given to superintendents on alternative breakfast meal services. Wynona Bryant-Williams presented at the Education Coop. Superintendents were asked to fill out a commitment form and asked what could be done to make the program work for them. There will be 15 more presentations that should be completed by the end of March. Also, the No Kids Hungry Campaign applications have been released for schools interested in breakfast expansion. Each school can receive up to \$2500 that can be spent pretty much unrestricted, if they can show how this money will help serve more kids breakfast. There is \$250,000 available for Arkansas Nutrition Programs. The Midwest Dairy Council still has money available for breakfast expansion programs also. Sheila stated that they are still waiting on the new USDA Nutrition Regulations and the regulation about all foods on campus. March is National Nutrition month. Also, the CHAC committee will need to vote on the Maximum Portion Size List by April. This should be done at the March CHAC meeting.
- ❖ Carole announced that they anticipate that the USDA will be sending draft comments on the regulations of all foods on campus to OMB by mid-March, and to be watchful for the 90-day comment period.

School Based Wellness Centers

- ❖ The RFA has been released. There are 26 eligible schools to write for these grants.

Hometown Health Initiative

- ❖ Kim Hooks reported that Paula conducted the School Nurse Glucagon Administration Training. There were 332 school nurses that participated statewide via videoconferencing from the educational cooperatives. The rules have been finalized, and have gone to the rules committee as of yesterday. Also, the HHI Sustainability Conference is scheduled for February 28th and 29th and is filled to capacity. The Arkansas Department of Health is currently working to accommodate individuals on the waiting list.

Act 1220

- ❖ Joy and Michelle reported that the database is opened and working. They have been receiving technical assistance calls. The deadline for entering data is May 8th.

Act 1220 COPH Evaluation

- ❖ Jada reported that they are in their last year and are collecting data.

Public Comment

- ❖ The JUA meeting has been cancelled today.

The meeting adjourned at 11:43 a.m.