

Oscoda County CHOICES Minutes

Meeting: CHOICES Date: March 12, 2018 Time: 4:00 PM Location: Mio DHHS Building

Leader: Deb Nurse

Present: Alice Stone, Jan Schleicher, Katie Jacobs, Devin Spivey, Mischelle Warner, Cheryl Melroy, Jan Schleicher, Loretta Rice, Stephanie Riemer, Mary Miller

Absent: Holly Campbell, Trish Otremba, Jim Magnutz, Larry Wilson, Melissa Burns

Guests: None

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| CALL TO ORDER/ Introductions/Announcements | CN | The CHOICES meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM Deb announced that the 2018 County Health Rankings will be released on March 14, 2018. | |
| Minutes, February 12, 2018 | DN | February 12, 2018 minutes were not available. Will approved at April 9, 2018. | Cheryl will send February minutes out as she inadvertently did not attach them when March's agenda and meeting documents were emailed out. |
| DHD#2 Grant Update – MSU Food Access Survey Mini Grant | DS | <p>Devin shared that we can start survey now. Devin shared copy of printed survey. We have missed both parent teacher conferences at the local schools.</p> <p>Devin has 100 \$5.00 Family Fare Gift Cards at the Health Dept. office in West Branch.</p> <p>Loretta will take some surveys to Senior Center. We will use the Project Connect event to get surveys out.</p> | <p>Devin will update paper survey and send back out to those who can help facilitate survey.</p> <p>Cheryl will update survey sampling form and send back out to the group</p> <p>Survey still needs to be concluded by the end of June 2018.</p> |
| Photo Voice Update | CM | <p>The goal is to start the project in April and have the final presentation to the community at Project Connect on June 20, 2018, from 3-6 pm.</p> <p>Discussion with CHOICES members, it was agreed to keep question what makes it easy/difficult to be healthy in Oscoda County.</p> <p>Cheryl has spoken with Christine Hitch from the North Central Michigan Community Foundation which serves Crawford, Oscoda, and Ogemaw Counties, and the question was asked if the Youth Advisory Council with Advisor Pastor Kevin Salisbury the Mennonite Minister would be willing to serve as facilitating group</p> | Cheryl will reach back out Christine Hitch. Keep goal of April Start, after students return from Spring Break. |

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| | | <p>for the PhotoVoice Project. Christine said that the PhotoVoice Project is in line with the YAC goals.</p> | |
| <p>Project Connect</p> | <p>AS</p> | <p>Project Connect Planning committee met. Date is set for June 20, 2018 from 3-6 pm. Food Truck will be there – confirmed by Melissa Burns. Won't know till the day before what will be on the truck.</p> <p>Forms for agencies and services to register for the event were shared at the February 26 HSCC meeting and Alice sent the Registration forms out via email. We have 8 responses back thus far. Additions to list were discussed. Registrations are to be back by have back by beginning of May so that participants can be listed on flyer, and flyers will be ready to distribute mid- May.</p> <p>Talk to Larry Wilson about Mason's doing children's ID's. There is WiFi available at the Fairview area schools. Encourage Masons to do trial run prior to event to make sure they have access to what they need to provide the children's ID's.</p> <p>Fairview Area Schools do not have enough tables. Vendors will be asked to bring own table or we can get tables from the Grayling Hospital or the Oscoda County Community Center.</p> <p>Face Painting Stephanie Cleaves will make contact</p> <p>Manicures and Haircuts</p> <p>American Cancer Society – Tom Stewart contact in Fairview, Andrea Casell is northern MI ACS contact.</p> <p>Need to add: Oscoda County ACHIEVES Kirtland community College Well Springs MCDC Catholic Human Services – Laurie Ames Camp Grayling/National Guard – Mario Barnett or Jeremy Mead</p> | <p>Will attach Project Connect notes to meeting minutes. Will meet again on April 9 at 3 pm.</p> <p>PLEASE BRING ANY YARD SIGNS FOR THE PROJECT CONNECT EVENT THAT YOU HAVE IN YOUR POSESSION FROM LAST YEAR TO THE APRIL 9 MEETING SO THAT WE CAN HAVE A COUNT FOR HOW MANY DECALES WERE NEED TO HAVE MADE TO HAVE NEW DATES ON THE SIGNS.</p> <p>Once again strong message needs to be sent to the community that this event is for all residents of all ages and not just not economically disadvantaged.</p> <p>Devon will make passports. Newspaper story – end of May or first part of June to Generate interest. Cheryl is in charge of advertising. MSUe will have food sampling. Food truck will be there per Melissa Burns. Get flyers to Fairview Foods, Family Fare and Luzerne Express the week before the event on Wed-Thurs-Fri. Use grant from Great Lakes People Fund to get laundry detergent. Deb Nurse to contact Oscoda County Herald.</p> |

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| | | <p>Newspaper story end of May or first part of June to generate interest.</p> <p>Family portraits – Loretta will contact Rich</p> <p>Lori Diller will send flyer to local churches via email and encourage to put in church bulletins mid- May</p> <p>Black and white save the date flyers to the schools just after they return from spring break and second round first week of June color copies.</p> <p>Cheryl checked on OCATS Hours of Operation and 6 pm should not be a problem. They are 24/7, but office is open 9 to 5 pm. Will get confirmation. Only had one individual take advantage of a ride last year.</p> | <p>Get Confirmation of OCATS Hours</p> <p>Emphasize in advertising free OCATS rides.</p> <p>Cheryl will contact Trish Otremba to see if AVCMH can do telehealth demo at Project Connect Event.</p> |
| MSU Extension | MW | <p>Mischelle Warner, Deb Nurse, Jan Schleicher and Cheryl Melroy attended Oscoda County commissioners meeting on Feb 27th. Mischelle presented data to the commissioners and requested there consideration in bringing back MSU Extension services back to Oscoda county beginning with funding a half-time position. Expressed support of CHOICES and both of the county schools. One community member voiced some concern, but after the public comments were accepted. It was a mostly positive meeting.</p> <p>Lanita Olsen and the board of commissioners assigned Larry Davis and Commissioner Nutt to meet with Mischelle.</p> <p>Mischelle reported that all items that were secured by MSUe when services were ceased in the county, are in a storage unit that MSUe has been paying \$80/ month for. Most of the equipment is in poor condition but nothing has been moved since the time services stopped.</p> | <p>Next steps:</p> <p>Mischelle to meet with commissioners to explore funding options.</p> <p>Mischelle will update at our next meeting.</p> |
| Together We Can Food Pantry and Back Pack Program | Cheryl Melroy | <p>Melissa was unable to attend meeting. Cheryl distributed Backpack program materials with the 3.12.18. meeting agenda.</p> | <p>Keep Mary Miller in communication loop about what is going on with our projects. Communicate with her</p> |

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| | | <p>Cheryl introduced Mary Miller, Food Service Manager at the Mio AuSable Schools. Cheryl shared the number of children receiving free and reduced price lunches at Mio and Fairview schools:</p> <p>Mio: total = 371 students Free K-5: 149 / 6-12 grade: 184 Reduced K-5: 16 / 6-12 grade: 22 Meal cost in Mio: B- \$1.25 for everyone, L - \$2.00 and \$2.25</p> <p>Mary shared that the majority of kids get meal benefits. She explained about full reimbursed meals and how the kids can bring uneaten foods to the shared table. What is not taken from the shared table is donated to Lydia's Gate.</p> <p>She shared that there are only 5-7 kids in the summer school program.</p> <p>Fairview: total = 220 of 293 total students Free K-12: 184 Reduced K-12: 36</p> <p>Mary Schrock is the Food Service manager at Fairview Area Schools. Both Mary's have been added to the CHOICES email distribution.</p> <p>What are our thoughts on food drops and deliveries? No question that there is need but how do we get food to kids? Look at collaboration. Explore rural models. Look at rules. Right now Mary does not have capability of doing a summer feeding program.</p> <p>Pastors did not meet. Only very early ideas about the Food Pantry at St. Bart's. Again asked question if group from Together We Can would be able to somehow collaborate with the people who are considering the establishment of a permanent site for a food pantry to serve Oscoda County.</p> | <p>directly as communication within school buildings can be challenging.</p> <p>Summer food program will have to be innovative and geared toward Oscoda County specific needs.</p> <p>Look into how many meals are delivered by meals on wheels.</p> <p>Summer food program would have to be non-perishable foods.</p> <p>Check with Melissa to see what other avenues there are for backpack and summer feeding programs</p> <p>Cheryl to share contact information with Lori Diller and Jan Schleicher to share with the pastor at St. Bart's for Dora Mead from the Crawford County Christian Help Center and Roscommon County Christian Ministries.</p> |

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| Obesity Initiative – List of Food Assistance in Oscoda County | CM/group | Group looked at draft, edits accepted. | <p>Get ok for final draft. Cheryl to check on cost of get brochures printed at Munson Print Shop.</p> <p>Continue discuss on where Food Resource Brochures should be distributed once they are printed.</p> |
| Obesity Initiative – Munson Healthcare | CM | Look for wellness Wednesday segments on TV 9 and 10. | |
| Adjourn | DN | Meeting Adjourned at 5:40 p.m. | |
| NEXT MEETING: | DN | Monday, April 9, 2018 at 4:00 PM at the Mio Department of Human Services Building | |
| Minutes submitted by: | | Cheryl Melroy | |