

**PREVENT CHILD ABUSE MINNESOTA
PARENT LEADERSHIP TEAM**

APPROVED MINUTES

JUNE 7, 2008

Attendees: Kathie Kinder-Goble, Brainerd and Mary Kay Hanson, Pequot Lakes

Staff: Roxy Foster and Trina Levin

Welcome and introduction were made. Kathie welcomed Mary Kay as a new member of the Parent Leadership Team (PLT). She explained to Mary Kay that on each call we take the first 45 minutes to debrief on what is happening in each other's lives and their local groups. This is time for mentoring and support.

Roxy explained how the team fits into the bigger picture of PCAMN and Circle of Parents, at a state and national level.

The chair and co-chair of the Parent Leadership Team serve on the PCAMN board. PLT members are also recruited to the National Circle of Parents, Parents as Leaders (PAL) team. Kathie Kinder- Goble is our representative to the PAL currently.

From time to time parents are requested serve on additional groups as a volunteer. Kathie explained her role on the US Department of Human Services communication committee as a parent who has had a child in foster care.

Ellen Niska PLT co-chair serves on the Minnesota Parent Leadership Network as a parent with children with mental health issues.

Mary Kay has served on in Pine River Backus Family Center for sometime and has lots of experience in governance and local family support work. We welcome Mary Kay to the team.

Approval of minutes:

March 15, 2008 and May 10, 2008 minutes were approved. They can now go up on the PCAMN website.

Walk For Children

Roxy and David created a pledge sheet as requested by the Parent Leadership Team. This can be used to go door to door if members would like to do that. This year coordinators are going to work with chapters to help build teams that will be electronic-via the PCAMN website. Each individual person or chapter can create their own virtual walk team. They do not need to be present to walk nor do they need to walk in their own community. They simply can participate via technology; pledges can be paid on line-no collecting money. Prizes will go to the top three chapters for amounts raised.

We still need children's art for the walk-a-thon shirts check the website for more information:
www.pcamn.org.

PLT Recruitment

Our goal is to seat a new member every month at a minimum seat three new members by October 2008.

Kathie will call Jan Weidenback from Little Falls. Jan received the Parent Leadership award this year we hope she will join our team.

PCAMN Board meeting prep

Roxy confirmed there is a board meeting on June 18, 2008. She has not received an agenda yet so she will prep with Kathie before the board meeting.

New Chapter Follow-Up

Kathie called Detroit Lakes and St. James to welcome them to the network. They were informed that the PLT is here to support them by providing technical assistance on parent group leaders and parent leadership.

Advanced Training

Trina and Roxy talked about creating an advanced training. This training would focus on recognizing parent group leaders, creating a leadership track for them to use their skills to become more involved in child abuse prevention work.

NEXT steps:

- **Recruit one more member to the team – Kathie will contact Jan**
- **Create a timeline for advanced training – Trina and Roxy**
- **Mary Kay will send application for PLT to Roxy rfoster@pcamn.org**

Next meeting- July 12, 2008 from 9am-11pm

Call in number: 1-877-903-2255

Conference ID: 8171596

Respectfully Submitted,

Roxy Foster