

# Haralson Family Connection Coalition

Quarterly Collaborative Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 18, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Bill Anderson.

Minutes of the last executive committee meeting and collaborative meeting on were read and approved.

**M.** Betty Chandler moved that the minutes be accepted as read.

**S.** Anne Chaffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Jim Winchester presented the treasurer's report and it was reviewed by the Committee.

**M.** Elizabeth Langley moved that the treasurer's report be accepted with changes being made to the date on the budget remaining.

**S.** Annette Johnson seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

## **Old Business**

- 501c3 Status: HFCC received a letter from the IRS which states they are reviewing our application. We should receive a notification about our status by September 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Social Worker Position: The Haralson County Board of Education eliminated the social worker position. Jim W. and Judge Mark Murphy had a meeting with Superintendent Brett Stanton and Janet Goodman. They promised to keep open communication about identified gaps in services. Haralson County staff member Cheryl Benefield will handle the truancy, legal issues etc.
- Teen Maze-Teen Maze will be coming to Polk County in November 2013. They have invited 100 students from Haralson County High School and Bremen City High School.

**A.** Jim will begin contacting the schools about this event and identify barriers or challenges such transportation and how to chose the students attending the Teen Maze.

- Poverty Simulation-The Bremen City Schools will be hosting the Poverty Simulation which is a 1 hour program relating to real life scenarios for people in poverty. It will be held on August 1, 2013.

## **New Business**

- Joey Mullins-He gave updates from the Georgia Family Connection Partnership.
  - Listening Tour-In July 2012, there was a Listening Tour that visited Haralson County as well as every Family Connection Collaborative in the state. As a result, they saw the planning was great but it doesn't

provide a productive product. Therefore, they are looking to revise some of the requirements for Family Connection Collaboratives. There will be another Strategies Listening Tour to identify how the HFCC functions. They plan to get rid of the 5 year strategy plan and focus primarily on annual plans. Georgia Family Connection Coalition will help assist in this process.

- Jim made a presentation about the annual plan.
- Family Violence-Bill shared with HFCC the lack of volunteers to help with family violence, and made an invitation for folks to get involved.
- Adjournment
  - M.** Steve Sampler moved that the meeting be adjourned.
  - S.** Anne Chaffin seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The next Executive Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, October 9, 2013.  
The next full board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 17, 2013.