

# Dallas County Coalition

## Minutes

Lutheran Church of Hope Waukee

305 N.E. Dartmoor

Waukee, Iowa 50263

10:30 -12:00

Wednesday May 24, 2017

### Attendance and Introductions

Joy Greer, Bonnie Forsythe, Lisa Mickelson, Debb Franz, Emily Brott, Liz Welder, Mary Gravin, Diane England, Myra Willms, Val Cameron, Dena Owens, Sadie Bohr, Cherie Swanson, Michelle Keenan, Colleen Theis, Ann Cochran, Peg Ragner, Allison Kupta, Hannah Rivas, Amber Schelling, Megan Kramer, Laura Lentell, Jen Stout, Rosario Manzano, and Debra Schrader.

### Agency Sharing

- Dallas County Extension has hired a new Regional Director, Andrea Nelson and a new Director, Jeff Jackson. There will be an open house May 31 from 4-6 at Dallas County Extension to welcome the new hires.
- NAMI will have a 6 week Family to Family program starting June 10th from 9:30-3:30.
- Partners in Family Development provided a Parent Cafe May 27 but attendance there was only one in attendance. Another class will be June 5th and 19th at the Lutheran Church of Hope. PFD is also working with the John Hopkins Institute on a research project regarding family engagement.
- Dallas County Public Health has home lead screenings available alone with resources to assist with lead treatment/removal.
- FaDSS has openings, contact Peg Ragner to refer families.
- Crisis Intervention & Advocacy will have its annual garage sale June 8-9 at the Dallas County Fairgrounds.

### Early Childhood Updates/Information

- The 4th annual Toddlerfest was May 6th from 10:00-12:00 at the Dallas County fairgrounds. There were 1200 in attendance.
- [Des Moines Parent](#) website is a great place to advertise events.
- Bock Family Foundation announced grant awards. The next grant cycle will be September 1, 2017.
- Visiting Nurse Services will be having a Family At Home lunch and learn directly following the meeting today.
- DHS will be releasing a grant for children's well-being collaborative to address mental health issues. Deb will keep everyone informed of the RFP.
- The Dallas County Family Support map was reviewed and corrections made. It was suggested that Head Start/Early Head Start attend the next meeting to provide an update as to the services.
- United Way has created a Farmers Market brochure with all the farmer markets in Polk, Warren and Dallas County.

### Dallas County Children's Advocacy Council Updates/Information

- The 1st fundraiser will be by July 22 from 5:30-9:30 at Penoach Winery and flyers have been made as well as an [Event Brite](#) where you can get tickets. Tickets are 1 for \$35 or two for \$50. There will be live Band Exit 113, admission, parking, and 6 wine tastings included in the price. There will be a food for purchase.
- The Council is looking for a development director, for more information contact Dena Owens denarowens@gmail.com.
- The Council has 2 positions available, contact Dena Owens for more information.
- Crisis Intervention & Advocacy has exceeded their benchmarks for the FY17 funding year.

### Generation Wellness Update/Information

- Generation Wellness will be working on the strategic plan in the upcoming months
- The Trauma Informed Care conference is June 6 -7th in Des Moines .

Next meeting June 28, 2017, there will be no July meeting.

