

MINUTES: North Carolina State Collaborative for Children and Families
CHAIRPERSONS: Pat Solomon and Joel Rosch
LOCATION: Mental Health Association, Inc., Raleigh, NC

DATE: 7-11-08
START TIME: 9:00 am
END TIME: 11:00 a.m.

Name/Affiliation		Name/Affiliation		Name/Affiliation	
May Alexander, Durham LME, SOC		Melissa Hill, NASW-NC		Lisa Salo, SOC Coord, Guilford Center	
Gary Ander, Alamance DSS		Rebecca Huffman, DSS		Paul Savery, DMH/DD/SAS Adolescent Substance Abuse SOC	x
Andrew Behnke, NCSU, Coop.Ext.		Johna Hughes, UNC-CH/SW	x	Jane Seo, DSS	
Cyndie Bennett, DCD, DHHS		Kathryn Hunsucker, SOC Coord, Onslow-Carteret LME	x	Adolph Simmons, DMHDDSAS	
Candice Britt, DSS	x	Diann Irwin, DPI		Alice Spain, Beacon Center (LME)	
Janine Britt, SE Regional LME		Libby Jones, Parent		Laura Smith, Pembroke Univ	
June Britt, Office of Educ. Services, DHHS		Catherine Joyner, DPH-CMPCT		Tom Smith, DSS	
Jamal Carr, DJJDP		Narell Joyner, Meck Cares SOC State Liaison		Liz Snyder, DSS SOC, Duke Univ	
Johanna Chase, DPI		Kevin Kelley, DSS		Pat Solomon, NC Families United & Sandhills LME, Co Chair	
Simone Chessa, DMA		Jinx Kenan, DCD		Flo Stein, DMHDDSAS	
Selena Childs, DPH		Carol Kyles, NCDPH		Kurt Stephenson, AOC	
Gail Cormier, NC Families United		Andrea Lewis, DCD		Alexia Stith, AOC	x
Kim Crouch, DJJDP		Keith Letchworth, EAHEC		Chary Sundstrom, NC School Psych. Assn.	
Kelly Crowley, DMHDDSAS	x	Martha Lowrance, DOA, YA&I		Linda Swann, Sandhills NAMI/NC	
Beverly Daniel, DSS		Kelly Nguyen, Powerful Youth		Alma Taylor, DVR	
Karen DeBord, NCSU, Coop.Ext		Jennifer Mahan, MHANC		Christine Trottier, Carolina Legal Assistance	
Al Deitch, DOA-YA&I		Angela Mendell, Bladen County SOC	x	Jane D. Young, NC DJJDP	
Lana Dial, AOC/CIP		Gerri Mattson, DPH		Lee Wallace, Scotland Co., SOC	
Regina Dickens, RSD Consulting, Inc		Erin McLaughlin, MHA, Inc	x	Jeffery Watson, DOA, YA&I	
Kathy Dobbs, CFS-NC		Faye McDaniel, DPI		Elizabeth Weigensberg, UNC-CH	
Maria Fernandez, DMHDDSAS		Trishana McKendall, DOA, YA&I	x	Rebecca Wells, UNC-CH/SPH	
Kirstin Frescoln, AOC		Rhoda Miller, DMHDDSAS		Connie Windham, Alamance LME SOC	
Alex Fonville, Five County COG SOC Coordinator		Tara Minter, DOA		Jerry Wilkinson, DPH early intervention	
Kelly Graves, CYFCP UNC-G		Mary Neil Morris SE Regional LME	x	Berkeley Yorkery, Action for Children	
Billie Guthrie, Community Backyard		Stephanie Nantz, DOA/YA&I		Guests:	
Terri Grant, CSFT LME Coord, Durham Ctr		Tiffany Purdy, Beacon Center (LME)		Brendon Comer/Gateway College	
Jann Harris, DHHS		Rebecca Reeve, NC Healthy Schools		Elizabeth Kurzer/Dept. of Commerce	
		Jack Register, NASW-NC		Jenni Norman/MHA	
		Susan E. Robinson, DMHDDSAS		Rick Zechman/NCDSS	
		Jennifer Rothman, NAMI/NC	x	Sonia Johnson/Bladen County Family Partner	
		Joel Rosch, Duke Univ CCFP Co-Chair		Kiesha Crawford/AOC	
		Tiffany Price UNC School of SW/Child Welfare Clearinghouse	x		
Submit member list edits to		susan.robinson@ncmail.net		List updated 3-14-08	

ITEM	DISCUSSION/FINDINGS	Action by Whom and When
(1) <i>Welcome & Introductions</i> Paul Savery	All were welcomed and introductions made.	Sign in and email updates completed.
(2) <i>Review of minutes and agenda</i>	Minutes were not available so they will be reviewed at the next meeting.	Minutes will be reviewed at the next meeting.
(3) <i>Upcoming conferences</i>	<p>Oct. 22-24 Workforce Development Conference in Greensboro, www.nccommerce.com</p> <p>Aug. 13-14 AHEC - East Durham conference at Atlantic Beach</p> <p>July 28- Aug. 1 Substance Abuse Summer School at UNC Wilmington sponsored by NC Foundation for Alcohol and Drug Studies</p> <p>August 18-20, Koury Center, MRS conference</p> <p>Nov. 12-14 Community Support Conference in Winston Salem</p> <p>Dec. 2-4 System of Care Conference in Wilmington w/three tracks - Youth and Families, Schools, Communities "See the Change, Be the Change"</p> <p>Oct. 31-Nov.1 NAMI NC's Annual Conference at Raleigh Hilton - www.naminc.org</p> <p>Feb. 2009 College Foundation Conference</p> <p>Sept. 8--12 Dropout Prevention Awareness Week</p>	
<p>(4) <i>Work Group & Partner Updates</i></p> <p><i>Training – meet 2nd Friday 11-1 at MHA</i></p> <p><i>Healthy Youth Transitions – 2nd Wed 2-4 at AOC</i></p> <p><i>School Based MH –4th Friday 11-1 at MHA</i></p> <p><i>Evaluation – TBA</i></p> <p><i>Cultural Competence-TBA</i></p> <p><i>Assessment – TBA</i></p> <p><i>Membership - TBA</i></p>	<p>Brent Comer shared information re: StudentU in Durham. This is an 8 week summer program for grades 6 and 7 focused on academics. The program follows up during the school year with tutoring/mentoring services.</p> <p>Trishanna Jones shared information re: foster care board rate increase. The General Assembly approved an increase in foster care board rates. Adoption assistance rates will also increase at 30%. Candice Britt provided the following information: Current rates are: \$390 birth through 5, \$440 6 through 12, \$490, 13 and up. New rates will be: \$475 birth through 5, \$581 6 through 12, and \$634 13 and up.</p> <p>Information shared regarding NCDSS Family Finding Initiative. This Initiative, in partnership with Duke Endowment will focus on locating relative placements for children in foster care. NCDSS will be working with Buncombe, Catawba, Gaston, Mecklenburg, New Hanover, and Wake. Children's Home Society will be working with Cumberland, Guilford, and Durham. Child Trends will be the National Evaluation Lead on this Initiative.</p> <p>Discussion regarding mental health and General Assembly. There is an expectation that prevention services will be looked at carefully during the next legislative session. Information shared that Value Options contract ends in September.</p> <p>Kelly Crowley shared information about DMH/DD/SAS and DJJDP issuing an RFA to fund a provider agency for SOC continuum for court involved youth, while maintaining MAJORS providers. The RFA will be based on judicial districts, and will require evidence based treatment (GAIN). Admission criteria will be broadened to include youth with co-</p>	

	<p>occurring disorders as well as youth who are undisciplined.</p>	
<p>(5) Agenda Items for Next Meeting</p>	<p>Catawba County will be presenting on their work with Casey Foundation regarding improving educational outcomes for youth.</p> <p>Please send agenda items to Pat at phsolomon@earthlink.net and copy susan.robinson@ncmail.net Thank you</p>	<p>Next Meeting: 7/25/08 – 9-11</p>
	<p>Any Audio Visual equipment needs should be requested well in advance. phsolomon@earthlink.net</p>	<p>Pls send edits to susan.robinson@ncmail.net</p>

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