

Mental Health Partnership Breakfast
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Geneva School District Administrative Offices
227 N. 4th Street
Geneva

Minutes and Souvenir

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Change is the law of life and those who look only to the past or present are
certain to miss the future – John F. Kennedy

1. Welcome, Introductions and Sharing Quick Information: **Carla encouraged folks to use the listserv to keep everyone up to date with training, events, and other important news from the group.**
 - a. Presence Health will be offering parent lectures to reduce school anxiety in September. Information will be distributed through the listserv.
 - b. NAMI—Ending the Silence presentations have increased a great deal in the schools recently. More information is on NAMI’s website or contact Carol or Jessica.
 - c. Lazarus House. Great contacts with the schools for prevention resources for families. The schools have been very helpful and collaborative.
 - d. Parent advocate (Carolyn). Recently elected to the D303 school board. She has enjoyed the opportunity to listen to the needs of many of the families. It has been very rewarding to be a resource to them. A set of parents have volunteered to be “parent navigators”.
 - e. D101—The workgroup of the Partnership has been extremely helpful. The hospitalization numbers have gone from 78 to 63 at the same time last year. It has been a very improved system. The district also had a presentation from Dr. Nolan which was wonderful. The district is in the process of revamping the SOS program. Lighthouse has participated in the after-school program. It has been very successful and exciting. 19/20 students were successful. 100% of the students reported that they know that they will graduate. None of the students have been hospitalized or re-hospitalized. The attendance has been great. United Way has awarded a grant to support the program as well. More groups have been provided for high-anxiety students. It has also helped with transportation and others who had additional needs.
 - f. Geneva Coalition for Youth. The Chit Chat was great this year and expanded to St. Charles, especially during the time of tragedy last spring. The middle school program for entering 6th grade girls will be coming out to the districts tentatively

on August 10. They are also launching a 4-5th grade boys program this year with Tri-Cities Family Services.

- g. Jules O'Neal, Tri-Cities. Currently fully staffed, especially proud of the new hires for bilingual and bi-cultural therapists. Many new programs are coming up. Eating disorders programming will be increased.
- h. Lighthouse Recovery. They are celebrating their first year anniversary. Nate has appreciated getting to know the school personnel. They have a new medical director. So, medication-assisted treatment will be available. They are also linking with wrap-around and/or counseling with other agencies.
- i. D303. It has been a particularly difficult spring. The district is grateful to the community and the other districts for their assistance and care. Tri-Cities has provided case assistance to the SWS and SATs in the districts to provide support and guidance.
- j. D304. ALOP program 13+19 students, each semester. One student just started who hadn't been in school all semester. Students do well, pass classes and come to school. 37 students were hospitalized this year which is greatly reduced over past years. The workgroup has been very helpful. The ALOP program is working really hard to have all the students graduate. The district is writing a policy to administer Narcon, if necessary. Recent legislation has passed the Illinois Senate that would require the districts to provide housing assistance in addition to transportation services. No funding is associated with this bill. Schools are really becoming social service agencies. Rob Castillo (a partnership member) presented on Compassion Fatigue which was very well received.
- k. Mutual Ground. Really busy right now, low on staff and have had to turn away clients. New grants are coming soon so new staff can be hired. Two years ago opened a new office in Batavia. They just had their art show which was really successful.
- l. AID. Counseling and outreach services (18 and up) have been expanded to Elgin.
- m. Kane County Health Department. Care4Kane.org. You can go on the website and register to have researchers help with your data projects. This is a great resource for interns as well. The workgroups are working on a system for the resource directory which will be a great improvement and service for the community.
- n. Suicide Prevention Services. Unfortunately, the clinicians are very busy right now with full caseloads. The schools have been making good referrals for the needs of the students. The collaborative efforts have been very rewarding. ASSIST trainings are coming up in the summer. June 10-11, Elgin; July 15-16 Batavia.
- o. D302. Will defer ALOP programming until next year. The structure of the programming is set, but the finances will need to be determined to fully implement the program. They are exploring the vocational aspects, as well. They are planning with the Health Department. Vocational services have been explored through WIOA. Northwestern Medicine has presented information to staff about Compassion Fatigue.

- p. Juvenile Justice Counsel. Trainings are coming up and have been shared on the listserve. Restorative Practices ToT, 12 trainers will be available. The Art Show will be at Waterstreet Studios in Batavia on June 14, 6:00-8:00.
 - q. Northwestern Medicine. Nothing too new in terms of expansion, except they are opening new beds. Looking to hire new psych nurses.
2. Master List Updates. The list was distributed and reviewed.
 3. Review of the Institute Day and Resource Fair. The day was very successful. Reviews were very positive.
 4. Updates on the Interagency Work of the Juvenile Justice Council
 - a. Needs assessment to be used with any family. A uniform process and form is being suggested.
 5. Update on the Work of the Health Department
 - a. Merged the counsel, renamed to the Behavioral Health Council. (kanecountymentalhealth.org)
 - b. Adding resources or
 - c. Community collaboration. Behavioral health resource council.
 - d. Awareness rebranding. Web portal. Service coordination.
 6. Update and Final Products from the Workgroups
 - a. High School Hospitalization Workgroup (Kim from D101!)
 - i. Working on attendance and early intervention
 - ii. Data collection regarding hospitalizations in collaboration with the health department
 - iii. Additional information may be gathered from the related service providers
 - iv. Transition documents have been created that have been very helpful when students leave a hospital program. These documents will be sent out to the Partnership.
 7. Priorities and Goals for the Next School Year.
 - a. The group felt that the major priorities of the Partnership have been met and should continue. Those include networking, information gathering, and relationship building. The listserve has been particularly helpful in sharing information, events or requesting assistance.
 - b. In addition, ongoing workgroups will either continue or be established at the fall meeting.
 - i. Continuing work groups: Hospitalization, Attendance
 - ii. Other collaborative work groups: Juvenile Justice, Health Department
 - iii. Possible workgroups (not limited to previous discussions): Physician outreach/breakfasts, special events planning, services in the schools, and probably many others.

8. Future Meeting Format: Three meetings a year, 2.5 hours (8:30-11:00, allowing time for networking, workgroup updates and work in the work groups. It is expected that workgroups will continue their efforts between the Partnership meetings. For the next year, the location will be the Geneva Administrative Offices.

9. Future meetings: Quarterly, but not summers: Sept. 8, Dec. 1, April 13.

Questions? Contact Carla Cumblad, Executive Director of Mid-Valley Special Education Cooperative, carla.cumblad@d303.org; 331-228-4873 or the listserv until June 29...then Marianne.Fidishin@d303.org.